

Attlee Tells Cabinet Date Of General Election; Calls Press

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All West Coast Hit By Gales

An Alaska-born storm brought rain, snow and high winds to the Pacific coast today.

Strong winds drove heavy snow over the Siskiyou Mountains on the California-Oregon border in a "virtual blizzard."

Heavy rains fell along the coastal areas of Washington and Oregon, turning to snow at the higher levels of the coastal ranges. The snowfall continued east in the high areas as far as the northern Rockies.

The weather bureau reported early today that the storm, which swept out of the Gulf of Alaska early Monday to drench Oregon, Washington and Northern California, had become practically stationary off the Washington coast but that the southern edge had reached south to San Francisco Bay.

VESSLS WARNED

Southeast storm warnings were hoisted as far south as Point Sur on the central California coast with small craft warnings raised from Point Sur south to Point Conception.

Winds of 30 to 40 miles an hour whipped the coast as far south as Point Arena in northern California.

At Donner Summit, in the high Sierra between California and Nevada, heavy snowfall was carried by winds of 30 to 40 miles an hour through the night.

The blizzard proportions of the storm over the Siskiyou, prompted the California highway patrol office at Yreka to close Highway 99, running over the mountains from the Sacramento Valley into Oregon. The highway was closed south of Dunsmuir after fears of slides developed. One bus driver reported it took him seven hours to make the 18-mile run from Dunsmuir to Weed.

Reaches Port Safely

HALIFAX (CP)—The 70-ton coastal vessel O.K. Service, reported overdue and floundering off Nova Scotia's western shore Monday night, was safe in port today. The craft apparently was delayed by storms. She carried seven men.

Australia, N.Z. Criticize Recognition Of Red China

COLOMBO, Ceylon (CP)—Australia and New Zealand today criticized Britain, India, Pakistan and Ceylon for recognizing Communist China without first consulting their Commonwealth partners.

When the Colombo conference—now in its second day—turned to the China situation, the Foreign Ministers of the two countries declared there might have been Commonwealth discussions before individual members recognized Mao Tse-tung's regime.

Both critics are new ministers, appointed in the recently-elected anti-Labor governments of Australia and New Zealand.

P. C. Spender, Australian External Affairs Minister, said that while appreciating the liberty of each Commonwealth member to act individually, he felt that recognition of Communist China might possibly have been delayed



Artificial Kidney Saves Victorian

Medical science already has saved the life of one Victorian woman through development of the artificial kidney and may save many others. Two of these machines, similar to the one above, now are at the Vancouver General Hospital. When the kidneys fail to function, poisons, normally eliminated, pile up in the body. This brings on acute uremic poisoning, generally fatal, unless the condition is quickly relieved. The machine is designed to perform the functions of the human kidney.

Santa Anita Scratches

First Race—Bambosier, Gone Forever.
Second Race—Upper Scale.
Third Race—Quiz Row, Gypsy Joe, Colita, Recitation.
Fourth Race—El Miopo, Wide, Sparky Cannon.
Fifth Race—Santa Reigh, Prowler, Kenty Side, Hoodlum.
Sixth Race—Chats Chow, Seventh Race—Cosmopolite, Evening Tune, Bullreigh Zac.
Eighth Race—Torello, Straight Man.
Weather clear; track fast.

Weather Forecast

Cloudy with showers of mixed rain and snow today; variable cloudiness and a little colder Wednesday. Light winds. Low to night, 27; high Wednesday, 36.

Constitution Parley Opened By St. Laurent

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent said today at the opening of the Dominion Provincial Constitutional Conference: "We cannot afford to permit differences to frustrate the continued development of a desirable direction of the nation as a whole."

Mr. St. Laurent declared the historic conference open at 10:45 a.m. E.S.T., after welcoming the premiers of the 10 provinces and their delegations.

"The purpose of this conference is to seek together to devise a generally satisfactory method of transferring to authorities responsible to the people of Canada the jurisdiction which may have to be exercised from time to time, to amend those fundamental parts of the constitution, which are of concern alike to the federal and provincial authorities," said Mr. St. Laurent.

"There will no doubt be substantial differences of view to day, as there were in 1867, as to how best to serve the common needs of a single nation stretching across half a continent."

"Eighty-three years of Confederation have greatly strengthened the sense of unity and common interest of the Canadian people, but differences still exist and are still important, and differences must be respected if we are to achieve a satisfactory solution of our constitutional problem, and, indeed, of all our national problems."

In a 2,500-word speech he said that in devising ways of amending the constitution, the conference should recognize that differences exist between the attitudes, the views and the ways of life of different provinces and different parts of Canada.

"It is, I believe, of the utmost importance that we should fully appreciate the values that these very differences have in enriching our national life," he added.

Says Quebec Comes To Conference With Plan To Co-Operate

OTTAWA (CP)—Premier Duplessis told the opening session of the federal-provincial constitutional conference today that Quebec sought to co-operate in the achievement of a system for final settlement of constitutional questions in Canada.

Delivering his opening remarks in French, Premier Duplessis said he and members of his delegation had come to the conference with "open minds" and to "co-operate."

"I believe that at the start, the position should be clear," he said. "Quebec is in favor, almost unanimously in favor, of a Canadian constitution, drawn up in Canada, should be applied by Canadians according to the spirit prevailing in 1867."

The Quebec premier who drew a round of applause when he rose from his conference-table seat at Prime Minister St. Laurent's left hand, said he thought it was wrong to believe, for instance, that Confederation had conferred "language rights."

"The constitution merely recognized language rights already existing," he said.

Storm Damage Slight

Greater Victoria escaped almost unscathed from an overnight storm which brought gales ranging up to 60 miles an hour in rain-ridden gusts in this area but left the major portion of Vancouver Island under a smother of snow which closed one school district, caused two power line failures and halted traffic temporarily in some areas.

The B.C. Electric Railway Co. reported power trouble from six to nine this morning in the Cobble Hill and Shawanigan Lake areas fed by the Hall-Hawkins substation.

Another power line failure hit the Duncan area at 2:05 this morning and B.C. Power Commission trouble-shooters were busy tracking down the trouble.

The northern end of the island was hardest hit by the heavy snows. At Courtenay, more than a foot of snow fell overnight. Bulldozers were out early this morning and quite a few cars were getting through by nine.

School District No. 71 was closed. The closure affects schools at Fanny Bay, Union Bay, Courtenay, Comox, Cumberland, Grantham and Tsolmin.

Duncan also had more than a foot of snow and B.C. Police reported roads were in bad condition there although snowplows were out early this morning.

SCHOOL BUSES DELAYED

Nanaimo had more than half a foot of snow, but traffic remained normal, except in the Cedar and Jingle-Pot areas where schools were closed because school buses were unable to get through.

At Mesachie Lake, a total of 28 inches of snow was reported. It began snowing at 5:30 Monday night, continuing until 2, and then beginning again at 8 this morning. School buses were operating from Mesachie to Lake Cowichan.

B.C. police at Cobble Hill reported nearly four inches of snow fell during the night. At the Malahat Lookout, it was reported traffic was getting through with the snow packed down on the highway. At 9 this morning a thaw was setting in.

MALAHAT ROCK SLIDE

A rock slide blocked the Malahat for a short time Monday night where work is in progress on the new stretch of road at Niagara Canyon. The slide was cleared by this morning and traffic was getting through again. A total of 10 inches of snow was reported covering the upper portions of the Malahat.

Both the B.C. Electric and B.C. Telephone Co.'s reported little trouble here. B.C. Telephone officials said the line department was doing well up-island, keeping pace with small breaks occurring as snow-heavy tree branches caused minor difficulties with communications.

Four chimney fires broke out in this area and one tree was uprooted by the storm in Saanich.

A.P. Directors Meet

TUCSON, ARIZ. (CP)—Directors of the Associated Press from all parts of the United States opened the three-day annual meeting here today. Frank J. Starzel of New York, general manager of the A.P., said the directors would consider corporate matters, applications for membership and reports from management on operation of the news-gathering co-operative.

Citizen Of Year

HAMILTON (CP)—Dr. William J. Desmond, veteran General Hospital pathologist whose work is known throughout Canada, Monday night was named Citizen of the Year for 1949 by the Advertising and Sales Club of Hamilton.



Helped Save Friends

Paul King, 17-year-old Oak Bay High School student, who rowed a small dinghy through a Sunday night storm to get aid for two companions marooned on Jimmy Jones Island, off Ten Mile Point, by rough seas and winds. Paul's two companions were Cyril Black, Glen Lake, and Charlie Spears, Eaton's employee, both 21.

Gasoline Price Goes Up In Some Parts Of Alberta

EDMONTON (BUP)—Imperial Oil Company today announced upward price adjustments for gasoline and other light products in various parts of Alberta, due to higher rail freight costs.

The company said some parts of the province are not affected, while in others the increases range from as high as six-tenths of a cent to an average of three-tenths of a cent per gallon.

Higher freight rates effective on crude oil and finished products since Oct. 24 of last year were given as the reason for the boosts.

There is no increase in Edmonton in the part of the new oil discoveries. But at Calgary, due to higher costs of moving crude southward from the new fields, tank wagon prices for gasoline and other light products are increased two-tenths of a cent.

The boost at Red Deer is two-tenths, at Medicine Hat five-tenths, and at Lethbridge four-tenths of a cent.

REGINA (BUP)—Imperial Oil in Regina has announced price changes in Saskatchewan. Generally prices are down in northern Saskatchewan and up in the southern part of the province.

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Two U.S. Destroyers Stand By Freighter In China Sea

By WAYNE RICHARDSON
ABOARD THE FLYING ARROW (AP)—Two U.S. destroyers were alongside the shell-battered American freighter Flying Arrow tonight, ready to escort her to any port but Communist Shanghai.

They arrived in midafternoon. They are the Slickell and the Bausell.

Lieut. C. L. Stuart, who boarded the freighter from the Slickell, said escort would be provided to any port but the ship's destination, Shanghai.

In the distance lurked a Chinese gunboat.

Expert On Subject Claims Parliament Not To Meet Again

LONDON (CP)—Prime Minister Attlee told his cabinet Britain's big official secret today: the date of the general election.

Tomorrow he is expected to let the country in on it. Word spread quickly that Feb. 23 is the most likely date.

For weeks this has been the date most favored by guessers for the clash at the polls between the Labor Party, in office since 1945, and Winston Churchill's Conservatives.

Attlee's ministers left the 90-minute meeting at 10 Downing Street smiling broadly.

Then the lobby correspondents—accredited political experts of the British Press—were called into 10 Downing Street for a briefing.

The Press Association lobby man made these predictions: Attlee will announce his election plans tomorrow.

He will dissolve the present Parliament Friday, Feb. 3, and voting will take place 20 days later.

A "snap" election at an earlier date now can be virtually ruled out.

The session of Parliament scheduled for Jan. 24 will be canceled. The present Parliament will be dissolved without ever meeting again.

Attlee was believed to be framing his important announcement today—his wedding anniversary. He was married 28 years ago and

Six-Week Campaign Likely

It has been noted that a disclosure of government plans now for a late February election would stimulate immediate campaigning and mean a pre-election struggle of about six weeks.

That is the argument advanced by the minority prophesying an election early in February which would keep campaigning to about three weeks—the normal period. Most observers and the London Press appeared certain the election will come next month—either Feb. 2, Feb. 16 or Feb. 23, with the last date most favored by political circles.

Attlee's surprise visit with the

Two Die By Fall In Elevator Shaft

VANCOUVER, B.C. (UP)

Two workmen were killed when they plunged six floors down an elevator shaft at the Hudson's Bay Company department store in Vancouver at 9:40 a.m. today.

Attendants at Vancouver General Hospital said the workmen were dead on arrival and had not yet been identified.

Chief Not Blaming Vancouver Officer For Slaying Youth

VANCOUVER (BUP)—Chief Constable Walter Milligan of the Vancouver police says he is satisfied Constables Al Eburne and Mel Sotswood "acted in good faith" when a youth was shot to death in their prowler car last week.

Twenty-one-year-old Raymond Hamod of Vancouver was killed when he allegedly held up the two constables and demanded their guns last Thursday. Three shots which struck and killed Hamod were fired by Constable Eburne.

A coroner's jury Monday night commended the two constables for their action.

Chief Constable Milligan, who said he would discuss the circumstances of the shooting with police prosecutor Gordon Scott today, said "at this time I don't see any reason for laying criminal charges."

New Organization

TORONTO (CP)—The Toronto Labor Council Monday night took a preliminary step toward forming a union for unemployed persons affiliated with the Canadian Congress of Labor.

Fairground Scratches

First Race—Jacalitos, Civil Liberty, Boquhan, Murray

Maid, Lucky Pair, Heyad.

Second Race—Vila Ruth, Brief Stay, Mad Saint.

Third Race—Azales Trail, Dusty, Vero Lumen, Kind

Marie, Two Day Air, Middle

Man.

Fourth Race—Jim Boy-H, Brown Mogul.

Sixth Race—Sticker.

Eighth Race—Deltoid, Singular, Better Times, Russian Valor, Signals Bloke, Shasta Turban.

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London Bets General Election Feb. 23

Constitution Parley Finds Co-operation

OTTAWA (CP)—A historic Dominion-Provincial constitutional conference opened here today with the heads of governments expressing their willingness to co-operate in drafting a new method for handling constitutional amendments.

The leaders of six of Canada's 11 governments were heard after Prime Minister St. Laurent had declared the conference officially open at 10.45 a.m., E.S.T.

B.C. Premier Urges Delegates Go Slow In Ottawa Talks

OTTAWA (CP)—Premier Johnston of British Columbia said today the Dominion-provincial conference should seek a method to amend the constitution in Canada by going slowly and doing it in stages.

He told the conference delegates "prolonged and careful study" will be necessary before a satisfactory system is found. Present conference, "launched today, should seek a basis for discussion and then turn it over to those who are competently equipped to deal technically with constitutional matters."

Those experts could "take this framework and build on it so that at a later date we may return for a further conference to determine whether agreement can be reached."

"I do not think it will be possible to devise a method without prolonged and careful study. In dealing with so important a matter as this I do not think we should proceed too hastily lest in doing so we defeat our purpose."

Hold Two Juveniles As Robbery Wave Probe Continues

City police are holding two teen-age youths as a result of investigations into the wave of robberies and attempted robberies that hit Victoria's business section and some dwellings during the week-end.

Deputy Chief of Police Harry Mercer reported today that investigations are continuing to apprehend others responsible for the newest outbreak of crime.

Police believe an organized group is involved in the robbery of 21 parking meters of their money contents and the entry and attempted entry of at least seven downtown shops.

Except for what the parking meters yielded, the break-ins netted the thieves very little. Les Palmer's View Street clothing store the hardest hit. Thieves took \$75 cash and clothing from there.

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Lieut. C. L. Stuart, who boarded the freighter from the Stickle, said escort would be provided to any port but the ship's destination, Shanghai.

In the distance lurked a Chinese gunboat.

The ship was hit by 30 to 40 Nationalist gunboat shells in international waters Monday. She was about 20 miles off the Chinese mainland when the attack started.

Her master, Capt. David Jones, 31, said the shell hits rendered her unseaworthy. He asked for U.S. naval escort to the nearest port for repairs.

Mr. St. Laurent, who called the conference and who is acting as chairman, outlined the purposes of the meeting in these words:

"The purpose of this conference is to seek together to devise a generally satisfactory method of transferring to authorities responsible to the people of Canada the jurisdiction which may have to be exercised, from time to time, to amend those fundamental parts of the constitution which are of concern alike to the federal and provincial authorities."

He said the federal government had no specific proposals to put forward.

The premiers followed in the order in which their provinces entered Confederation.

Premier Frost of Ontario said he was in full agreement with the idea that Canada should have power to amend the constitution in all respects.

WIDER CONSULTATION

He promised full co-operation, but criticized the federal government for embarking at the last session alone on a constitutional amendment giving Parliament power to change the British North America Act on purely federal matters.

The constitution, he said, should not have been changed in "piece-meal" fashion and the new power assumed by Parliament last fall should be wielded only after a wider consultation than that afforded in Parliament.

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"I believe that at the start, the position should be made clear," said Mr. Duplessis. "Quebec is in favor, almost unanimously in favor, of a Canadian tribunal sitting in Canada and deciding Canadian problems finally."

Premier Macdonald of Nova Scotia said the federal government should make clear what it considers to be the Canadian constitution. It would be impossible to go ahead with the current conference until the federal government listed the sections of the B.N.A. Act which could be amended by Parliament alone.

He said sections of the act dealing with fundamental rights should not be amended without the consent of all the provinces. However, there were other sections of the act dealing with Dominion and provincial relations which should be changeable with the consent of a majority of the provinces.

The nearest port is Shanghai, where the Isbrandtsen Line freighter was bound with a general cargo worth \$10,000,000. Chinese Nationalists say they have mined the approaches to Shanghai.

(In Bangkok, Thailand (Siam), Vice-Admiral Russell S. Berkey, commander of the U.S. 7th Task Force, said naval craft will protect U.S. merchantmen on the high seas but not inside Chinese territorial waters.

(There has been no comment from the State Department in Washington.

(A second Isbrandtsen Line freighter, the Brooklyn Heights, is scheduled to sail tomorrow from Hongkong for Shanghai. American skippers have been warned by the U.S. State Department they may lose their license if they take their ships into blockaded Chinese Communist ports.)



Seek More Data On Ship Stability Tests

Mr. Justice Sidney A. Smith, centre, presiding at the public tug inquiry in the Court house today, asked additional witnesses be flown from Vancouver. Seated left is Hugh G. Robinson, retired steamship inspector, and Capt. James F. Patrick, marine advisers to the commissioner.



Robert Allan, naval architect, says sister ship unsafe.

Commissioner Asks Fate Of Sister Ships Of Tug

Three more witnesses, all steamship inspectors, will be flown from Vancouver today for the public inquiry at the Court house into the sinking of the tug George McGregor, off Trial Island, Nov. 26, with a loss of six of the seven-man crew.

Mr. Justice Sidney A. Smith, commissioner, requested further information on the stability tests taken of the Isabella Stewart, Dec. 23, 1949, a sister ship of the McGregor, following which Robert Allan, naval architect, said the Stewart was "unsafe."

Information on the fate of five sister ships of the McGregor, which were reported to have foundered, was also sought by the commissioner who asked that the three witnesses be brought from Vancouver at attend this afternoon's hearing.

They are: R. F. Tully, ship inspector Grade 2; A. A. Young, principal hull inspector and J. Bryden, senior steamship inspector, all with the Department of Transport.

Mr. Allan stated his survey of the Isabella Stewart was taken on instructions from the Board of Marine Underwriters, who insured the vessel, following the capsizing of the McGregor.

"We would like to know if this class of vessel was built to any particular classification in the United States—who supervises construction of the ships," said Mr. Justice Smith.

"Follow up what Mr. Allan said about several other vessels of the type and get information on the fate of these ships—how they are getting along," the commissioner asked of J. B. Clearhue, K.C., counsel for the transport department.

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Antelope In City

MEDICINE HAT, Alta. (CP)—A herd of some 80 antelope came to Medicine Hat's doorstep today in search of forage, driven 40 miles from their natural habitat by severe weather.

Hundreds of antelope, pheasants and even coyotes are coming out to settlements in their hunt for food.

The antelopes are within the city limits, grazing on wild shrubbery.

Two Elevator Repairmen In Vancouver Killed By Crash

VANCOUVER, B.C. (BUP)—Two elevator repairmen were killed almost instantly in Vancouver today when they plunged five stories in a stripped elevator at the Hudson's Bay Company department store.

Scores of late morning shoppers heard the crash as the elevator smashed against the sub basement floor, falling from the third floor. James Gorton, 38, Vancouver, and Lorne Tracy, 43, North Vancouver Otis Fenson Elevator Company employees, were killed almost instantly.

The two were aboard the elevator dismantling it when one of the "dogs" holding it up collapsed, dropping the cage down the shaft.

An inquest will be held at 1 p.m. Friday.



Walter Mason, father of the lost skipper of the tug.

North, Centre Italy Largely Paralyzed By General Strikes

ROME (AP)—Twenty-four-hour general strikes stopped industry and business through most of northern and central Italy today in a labor union protest against the deaths of six workers in a riot clash with police.

More than 1,000,000 workers, led by 700,000 members of the Metal Workers' Union, struck on orders of the Communist-dominated Confederation of Labor and Chambers of Labor in various northern and central provinces.

The six riot victims were killed Monday in a clash with police at Modena, about 25 miles northwest of Bologna.

An estimated 30 others were wounded when police sought to stop approximately 20,000 strikers from invading the Modena foundry. Six policemen were among the wounded and one was reported near death.

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Quake Rocks Coast Of English Channel

DOVER, England (AP)—Earth tremors shook the Strait of Dover coast Monday night, rattling doors and windows and moving furniture in houses. Reports from France said tremors were felt in Calais and Dunkirk, across the Channel, at the same time.

'Chute Jumper Injured

By GRAHAM TROTTER
WAINWRIGHT, Alta. (CP)

A paratrooper was seriously injured today when his parachute failed to open during the first mass air drop of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry during winter.

The soldier, Pte. J. Risley of St. James, Man., fell 1,000 feet to the snow-covered ground after he became entangled in his parachute shroud line.

Pte. Risley is in Wainwright hospital with arm and leg fractures and a possible back fracture. His condition is reported by hospital authorities as "fair."

The near-fatal accident was the only serious hitch in the mass parachuting of 100 members of the P.P.C.L.I. and equipment.

Another unidentified paratrooper escaped injury when he was able to open his reserve parachute after his main 'chute failed him in the first drop of 50 men.

Two Canadian army men, one of them a Patricia, have been killed in the last two years in airborne training at Rivers, Man. TANGLED IN

Lt.-Col. D. C. Cameron, commanding officer of the Patricia's said Pte. Risley "must have had a bad exit from the aircraft." He apparently somersaulted as he jumped from the R.C.A.F. Dakota and one of his legs became entangled in the shroud lines of his parachute.

The soldier was still conscious when the first men reached him. He was rushed into Wainwright in a regular army ambulance (See "Spectacular Mass Parachute Jump" Page 3)

Mme. Chiang Leaves U.S. For Formosa

NEW YORK (AP)—Mme. Chiang Kai-shek, wife of the Chinese Generalissimo, left today by plane for San Francisco on the first leg of a flight to join her husband in Formosa.

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Attlee Calls Newsmen For Statement

LONDON (CP)—Britain awaited announcement of a general election tonight, betting it would be Feb. 23.

Separate conferences with British and American press correspondents were hurriedly called by a spokesman for Prime Minister Attlee.

An announcement was predicted for late tonight.

The London afternoon newspapers splashed election speculation.

"Almost certain: Feb. 23," said Lord Beaverbrook's independent Evening Standard.

"E-day is fixed: M.P.s say Feb. '23,'" cried the Liberal Evening Star.

"Election date is fixed," said the Conservative Evening News. It also said "Mr. Attlee tells cabinet: Nation may know tomorrow."

Announcement of an election date now undoubtedly means Parliament will not reconvene as scheduled Jan. 24. For a Feb. 23 election date, the King would dissolve Parliament Feb. 3-20 days in advance. Parties then would nominate candidates officially Feb. 13, with Labor and Conservative leaders expected to put candidates in the field for every one of the 625 seats in the new Parliament.

While Attlee was framing his important announcement, today was his wedding anniversary. He was married 28 years ago and was "celebrating" by an afternoon visit to the theatre with his wife.

MAKING ARRANGEMENTS
Before Attlee ended the cabinet meeting at which he disclosed his election secrets to his colleagues, there were two significant early departures. Viscount Jowitt, the Lord Chancellor, and Home Secretary Cuthbert Ede, who are both concerned with the constitutional arrangements, left hurriedly half an hour before the close.

Morgan Phillips, secretary of the Labor Party, canceled an engagement in Wales today for "urgent business which necessitates my presence in London."

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Bookie Gives Labor Edge In British Polling

LONDON (AP)—One of Britain's biggest bookmakers made the Labor Party a 4 to 6 favorite today to win the 1950 general election.

Douglas (Duggie Never Owes) Stuart offered 5 to 4 against Winston Churchill's Conservatives.

At the same time, however, he made Churchill himself a headline favorite over Labor's Clement Attlee to be the next Prime Minister of Britain. Churchill was quoted at 11 to 8, Attlee at 6 to 4.

The reasoning behind this: If the Conservatives win, Churchill is almost certain to become prime minister. If Labor is victorious, Attlee may step down to make way for another member of his party. Churchill also is considered a good bet to take the helm if the election is so close that no party gets a majority and a coalition government is formed.

N.Z., Australia Criticize Speed In Recognizing Reds

COLOMBO, Ceylon (CP)—Australia and New Zealand today criticized Britain, India, Pakistan and Ceylon for recognizing Communist China without first consulting their Commonwealth partners.

When the Colombo conference—now in its second day—turned to the China situation, the Foreign Ministers of the two countries declared there might have been Commonwealth discussions before individual members "recognized Mao Tse-tung's regime."

Both critics are new ministers, appointed in the recently-elected anti-Labor governments of Australia and New Zealand.

P. C. Spender, Australian External Affairs Minister, said that while appreciating the liberty of each Commonwealth member to act individually, he felt that recognition of Communist China might possibly have been delayed until ministers had had an opportunity of first-hand exchanges to amplify the consultations, he said had preceded individual recognition.

F. W. Doidge, New Zealand External Affairs Minister, was understood to have taken a similar line but both ministers showed understanding for the reasons which had prompted India, Pakistan, Britain and Ceylon to recognize China.

Canada and South Africa are the other Commonwealth countries which have not recognized the Chinese Communists.

Reaches Port Safely

HALIFAX (CP)—The 70-ton coastal vessel O.K. Service, reported overdue and floundering off Nova Scotia's western shore Monday night, was safe in port today. The craft apparently was delayed by storms. She carried seven men.



Artificial Kidney Saves Victorian

Medical science already has saved the life of one Victoria woman through development of the artificial kidney and may save many others. Two of these machines, similar to the one above, now are at the Vancouver General Hospital. When the kidneys fail to function, poisons, normally eliminated, pile up in the body. This brings on acute uric poisoning, generally fatal, unless the condition is quickly relieved. The machine has been designed to perform the functions of the human kidney.

Whole Of Pacific Coast Gale-Swept; California Freezes

By ASSOCIATED PRESS
An Alaska-born storm brought rain, snow and high

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winds to the Pacific coast today.

Strong winds drove heavy snow over the Siskiyou Mountains on the California-Oregon border in a "virtual blizzard."

Heavy rains fell along the coastal areas of Washington and Oregon, turning to snow at the higher levels of the coastal ranges. The snowfall continued east in the high areas as far as the northern Rockies.

The weather bureau reported early today that the storm, which swept out of the Gulf of Alaska early Monday to drench Oregon, Washington and Northern California, had become practically stationary off the Washington coast but that the southern edge had reached south to San Francisco Bay.

VESSELS WARNED

Southeast storm warnings were hoisted as far south as

Point Sur on the central California coast with small craft warnings raised from Point Sur south to Point Conception.

Winds of 30 to 40 miles an hour whipped the coast as far south as Point Arena in northern California.

At Donner Summit, in the high Sierra between California and Nevada, heavy snowfall was carried by winds of 30 to 40 miles an hour through the night.

The blizzard proportions of the storm over the Siskiyou prompted the California highway patrol office at Yreka to close Highway 99, running over the mountains from the Sacramento Valley into Oregon. The highway was closed south of Dunsmuir after fears of slides developed. One bus driver reported it took him seven hours to make the 18-mile run from Dunsmuir to Weed.

Weather

	Min.	Max.	Precip.
St. John's	1	13	63
Halifax	1	14	10
Montreal	6	13	10
Toronto	27	40	83
North Bay	32	41	83
Port Arthur	10	19	82
Winnipeg	11	9	21
Brandon	19	—	24
Regina	38	16	84
Saskatoon	37	16	81
Prince Albert	37	14	81
North Battleford	38	19	81
Calgary	37	14	81
Medicine Hat	37	12	81
Lethbridge	32	11	81
Edmonton	32	13	81
Swift Current	32	13	81
Penticton	33	23	10
Vancouver	34	24	28
Seattle	37	15	15
Klimberley	2	19	11
San Francisco	5	19	11
San Diego	5	19	11
Prince George	7	16	19
Portland	7	36	23
Portland	4	43	28
San Francisco	4	45	15
San Francisco	42	82	67
Los Angeles	41	54	54
New York	41	45	45

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A LESSON LEARNED

THE BRIEF AND UNFORTUNATE HISTORY of the Western Match Company, a secondary industry from which Victoria expected to acquire an addition to local pay-rolls, lends pointed interest to yesterday's announcement by Minister of Justice Garson of investigations conducted into the match business in Canada. Existence of an international cartel controlling the industry is charged by Mr. F. A. McGregor, whose resignation from the post of combines commissioner aroused sharp censure over delay in making public the findings of his inquiries into the flour milling industry.

Mr. Garson has apparently taken to heart the criticism lodged in the case of the milling interests. The results of the match industry investigations have been published well within the time limit set for disclosure of such findings. That is as it should be. When the government of Canada establishes an agency to determine certain facts of public interest, it is up to the government to see that the people are given the information to which they are entitled without unreasonable delay. From that point, moreover, it is the government's responsibility to see that improper activity is brought to a stop and redress made for injuries which resulted from practices not countenanced by our laws.

In the present instance it is not our intention to enter into a general discussion of monopolies. When they operate in a manner to stifle legitimate competition, however, they run contrary to the law. Mr. McGregor has indicated the way in which certain major Canadian companies have conducted their operations in a manner to frustrate the entry of independents into competition. Such action, surely, is not in accord with the principles of free enterprise—principles which, in our view, do not condone the application of methods to freeze out small operations merely to permit the maintenance of a monopoly for its own sake.

WAIT FOR IT

THE WARNING ISSUED BY THE INTERNATIONAL Woodworkers of America, a C.I.O.-C.C.L. affiliate, that they will call for a strike vote if British Columbia lumber operators do not grant their demands for a union shop and increased wages, does not represent a new tactic. In fact it seems that this preliminary opening of the contract negotiations with a strike threat has become a routine annual occurrence. Sometimes the strike eventuates; sometimes it is circumvented. But the fact that such a blow—even though it is only verbal—is delivered before the contest starts, does little to ensure amicable relations during the course of the labor-management talks. The history of the lumber industry in this province is not such as to require constant reminders that employees can strike to support their demands, if they wish to do so. And the use of such a heavy hand so early in the negotiations serves only to make the general public wonder why the union's case needs such bolstering. The strike is an extreme weapon that should be used only to right an injustice when all other avenues of agreement have failed. Why not wait for such a situation to arise before applying extreme measures?

A MIGHTY TASK

PRIME MINISTER JAWAHARLAL Nehru was enunciating no new thesis when he told the Commonwealth Conference at Colombo yesterday that the best way to defeat Communism in Asia is to build up the prosperity of the Asiatic peoples. Sound thinkers in all parts of the world have emphasized the fact that anti-Communism is not enough to beat the red "ism." But they have noted the necessity of proving the existence of something better. The point of proof is important.

In Canada, for instance, converts and fellow-travelers, enjoying a freedom they may find in few other parts of the world, living under conditions of greater material well-being than almost anywhere else on the globe, continue to sing the praises of Communism. The fact that they fail to carry much conviction with the vast majority of our people is due, in a large measure, to the recognition by Canadians in general that they have something better than the Moscow ideology can give them.

There is, however, a point which deserves specific consideration in respect of building up the prosperity of the Asiatic peoples. India and China, between them, have almost one-half of the world's population. Of the remainder, millions are in no position to help anyone but themselves. The task of assisting the improvement of the Asiatic people's lot, in consequence, falls on a relative few. It is noteworthy, moreover, that Mr. Nehru is one of a handful of Asiatic leaders who possess the ability to give direction to their people in the field of self-help. Tapping the reservoirs of Occidental wealth would be of scant value in many instances. The Indian leader's argument is well taken, of course. But it is necessary, when weighing it, to contemplate the magnitude of the course he suggests.

There is, on the other hand, a potent fact in Nehru's remarks on the successes

of Mao Tse-tung. The Chinese Reds, he believes, have fulfilled to some extent the demands of the Chinese people for social justice. That is a point that should be taken to heart by non-Communist factions concerned with the stirrings of former subject peoples. Social justice is not a monopoly of the Communists—quite the reverse. But if it is withheld, as it was withheld by the Koumintang from the Chinese, the ground is clearly prepared for the sowing of Communist seeds.

DON'T SHOOT TOO SOON

THERE COMES A TIME WHEN A CERTAIN element of society treats itself to an indulgence in second guessing. A part of this element belongs to the newspaper business. Some of its members get hot and bothered about public business, public policy, and matters of government procedure which occasionally—to employ the vernacular—run off the track.

Ministers of the Crown who are usually the target for the second-guessers—and they expect the assegaes of capricious criticism—hesitate to rush into print in reply to those pundits, some still a wee bit moist behind their hearing equipment, who are loath to deal with fact because truth often spoils a sensational story. Men in cabinet positions, with huge responsibilities, however, are wise in their disinclination to rise to bait which emanates from the sensation-mongers.

One of the wisest of Britain's political campaign managers once said: "What's the use of trying to put an enemy when he is half way up the hill? You can't see him; but when he gets to the top you can see him as plain as a pikestaff; then's the time to pot him."

That wise old political student, known as "Happy Jacky" Marshall, from Yorkshire, knew whereof he spoke. Some of our country's cabinet ministers may feel inclined to tear a leaf out of "Jacky" Marshall's book.

TIME IS LIMITED

IT IS GOOD NEWS THAT U.S. SECRETARY of State Dean Acheson holds the personal view that his country must open up its markets to imported goods if the problem of world trade in general, and European recovery in particular, is to be solved. There are, of course, many serious difficulties inherent in such a policy. The traditional high-tariff philosophy of the United States will not be changed overnight. The political implications of such a step are many—and doubly important in view of forthcoming House and Senate elections. And the possible results on the economy of a country which has never had to stand full-scale competition from foreign-made goods could lead to endless readjustments. It is not suggested in regard to the latter consideration that the United States could not in general meet such competition—and in many cases far outstrip it—but convincing home manufacturers that they do not need the protective walls behind which they do business would be a long drawn out procedure.

Thus it is that the prevalent opinion in Mr. Acheson's State Department appears to be that while encouragement of imports should be a positive long-term policy, something quicker-acting must be introduced if calamity is to be avoided upon termination of Marshall Plan aid in 1952. The main effort must be to provide Europe with dollars with which to purchase the goods it needs, while at the same time keeping the wheels of American industry spinning. Apart from gifts or loans, the only way such dollars can become available to the European countries is through trade—the purchase of European goods by Americans. But if high United States tariffs make such purchases difficult or impossible, the whole system of exchange is hampered and stifled.

That, in essence, is the problem now confronting the economists and statesmen. In the face of the belief of State Department experts that "the cold war" gains of the last two years may easily be lost" if a solution is not found before 1952, it is to be hoped that the views of Mr. Acheson and his advisers may prevail.

ALL TOO TRUE

A BRACKETED NOTE IN AN ASSOCIATED Press dispatch from Hongkong regarding the Chinese Nationalist claim to have sunk 500 junks in repulsing a Communist attack on Hainan Island reminds us that "both sides in China's civil war have a habit of exaggerating the amount of damage they do in battle." Such an observation is made with the recognition that the western public, during the recent world war, came to rely completely on the accuracy of Allied figures on casualties, planes destroyed or lost, and other vital statistics of the conflict. That such accuracy is not found in "official" reports on the Asiatic fighting is, of course, widely suspected. Both sides have claimed the infliction of huge losses on the enemy, and minimized their own losses, from very understandable motives.

But aside from this aspect of the reports, the Associated Press footnote carries its own touch of irony. For while both sides may "have a habit of exaggerating the amount of damage they do" to each other, there can be little exaggeration of the amount of damage that has been done to world peace and harmony by the events of the Chinese civil war. The results have been momentous, not only in Asia but in global effect, and will be felt for many years to come. Nothing either side may say in this regard could be construed as much of an exaggeration.

Walter Lippmann

THE HANDING-DOWN STATE

MR. CLARK CLIFFORD must be right, and not merely modest, loyal, and self-effacing, when he says that in its final form the President's message is Mr. Truman's own work. For no ghost-writers, unless he happened to be a dramatist of great genius, could have written a speech like this one for Mr. Truman to read, and have made it sound as if Mr. Truman meant it. The serenity, the perfect optimism, the relaxing confidence could not be the mood of any subordinate, doomed to struggle with the hard facts of administration and of politics. They belong uniquely to a man who is sitting on top of the world, and finds it comfortable and pleasant up there above the turmoil and the hullabaloo.

There is an undeniable charm about it, rather like that of noon-time on a summer day when the air is soft and still, the sky is blue, and there are no long shadows. Then everything seems possible because nothing is entirely real. For an hour or two at least the worriers like Mr. Taft and Mr. Knowland will find it hard to be angry and righteously indignant and ideologically hot and bothered. For here, as the poet said, they are transported briefly "where all trouble seems, dead winds and spent waves riot, in doubtful dreams of dreams."

A CLOSER STUDY of Mr. Truman's poetic style shows that his technique is never to deal with problems but only with the excellent results that would be achieved if the problems had been solved. That is a good way to make this sorry world look easy. By the simple device of announcing only goals, objectives, and ends, in terms so general that absolutely no one can question them, the controversies about ways and means, which are the subject matter of almost all the struggles of life, disappear from sight. Mr. Truman has an enormous legislative problem which, if it is enacted, will make a sizeable volume of new laws. But what he discusses in this message are not the laws he calls for but only the preambles to those laws.

It is, in fact, not strictly accurate to say that he discusses the preambles. His message is more like a table of contents of a book which names the topics that might be treated. Nothing is explained. Nothing is argued. Nothing is proved. Nothing is demonstrated. The text is a series of short declarative sentences which are merely asserted as if they were all equally true and self-evident. They do not meet criticism. They merely by-pass it, leaving the panting critic no target to shoot at, no antagonist to get hold of, only the thin air to thrash around in. No wonder so many Republican politicians exhibit the symptoms of being on the verge of a nervous breakdown.

WHETHER this method, granting its political effectiveness, is also democratic—with a small "d"—is a nice question. Undoubtedly Mr. Truman is for the people, sincerely, warmly, and persistently. But amidst all the things he tells them they need and desire and that he wishes to give them, there is one thing that he does not, I think, give them. That is government by the people—the experience of understanding and helping to decide how they are to get the things they are to get. They are denied that experience, which enables a people to grow in knowledge of self-government, when their leader talks only about what is desirable and does not discuss candidly and fully how it is to be achieved.

Mr. Truman is no autocrat, far from it. But he is a man of his epoch, and in this epoch there is no phenomenon so alarming the wide world over as governments which are coming to depend on the votes of great masses following leaders who tell the people what they want without permitting them or compelling them to face the issues of how to provide them with what they want. Not the "handout state" but the "handing-down state" is the enemy of genuine progress in the endless business of learning democratic self-government.

IT IS NOT WRONG; on the contrary it is quite right, that a nation should spend increasing portions of its increasing product on public utilities and public services. But this can become quite vicious if the welfare state is promoted by the votes of masses of men who are made conscious only of the desirable good things and are not troubled by the problems of conducting a government that must provide the good things.

For then, as Macaulay said nearly a century ago, the ship of state is all sails and no anchor. That is why Mr. Truman's method of asserting a series of goals, of dealing with ends rather than with ways and means, of plumping for the preambles without explaining or discussing the substantive issues, is more than a matter of rhetoric and literary style. It is something which raises questions that go to the roots of the democratic philosophy itself.

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Quoting

I cannot see how the Kremlin can even hold what she now has, unless Western Europe is brought into her orbit. She cannot succeed even in consolidating her present position—E.C.A. Administrator Paul Hoffman.

The Point Four program (to aid the world's undeveloped areas) is the answer to Communism's five-year plans which demand that the people become slaves of the state—U.S. Secretary of State Dean Acheson.

It's All Quite Simple, Isn't It?



From One Who Was There

By HERB RALBY, North American Newspaper Alliance

IT RATHER have a bowl of soup with a piece of dry bread on New York's Bowery than live in a castle with the best possible job under the Communists in Czechoslovakia," said Leo Dousa, bitterly.

RATHER HANG

Dousa is a Czech-born, naturalized American who returned to the United States from his native country only three weeks ago. Tall, thin and middle-aged, he was a familiar figure in the Czechoslovakian sports scene and a friend of the touring American and Canadian hockey teams which visited that country the past three years.

"I'd rather hang myself than return," Dousa added, vehemently. "It's the destruction of civilization there."

Dousa, who declared he wanted to speak the truth for the benefit of humanity, claimed that from October 15 to the time he left, November 7, more than 40,000 prominent people, mostly intellectuals, had been herded into labor camps, road or mine gangs. "Seventy-five per cent of these people are of the middle class," he pointed out. "The aim of the Communists is to destroy the middle and upper classes. Along with this, more than 25,000 students have been unable to continue their studies because they won't become Communists." Prague, which used to be a

gay city, the capital of one of the most democratic countries in the world, is vastly changed now.

"Those American and Canadian boys who played hockey there wouldn't recognize it," Dousa said. "Nobody goes out now. If a man spends money in a night spot, there are plain-clothes policemen around to question him as to how he earned it. You can't even talk to a friend without being watched closely."

CHILDREN SPY

The Nazi Gestapo had nothing on the espionage system the Communists employ, according to Dousa, who keeps reminding his listeners how lucky they are to be Americans. Children in Prague have to report to their teachers what the parents talk about at home. Every citizen in Czechoslovakia has a personal file at the Communist head office and his every movement is recorded, especially if he has any contact with people in western countries.

Replacing the wartime Gestapo on the Czech scene is a man called the "Joke man." It is his duty to watch 10 particular people and to give a full report on their actions and words in the factory or at home.

The people in labor camps are treated worse than they ever were under the Gestapo and hundreds flee for the border daily,

leaving everything behind. If they are caught, says Dousa, it means death, but they figure the chance for freedom is worth the risk.

Dousa was born in Czechoslovakia but he became an American citizen in 1929. He worked as a seaman for the United States lines and got home regularly. At the start of the war, until his health failed, he was in the American strategic service. In 1945 he returned to Prague as manager of an American food-parcel service.

Dousa tried to get back to the United States when the Communists took over, but when he applied for a passport with his Czech wife, they confiscated his \$2,242 in American money and tossed him in jail. "I was fined 10 times what I had in American money, plus 100,000 crowns which is another \$2000 in American money plus money to get discharged," he related.

PROPERTY TAKEN

Before his wife was finally given her passport, she had to sign away all her personal property, bank accounts and stocks, \$1000 for a passport, \$350 for a receipt that she paid her taxes and \$10 for her passport. She also had her personal effects list slashed in half so that she had very few clothes to take away with her.

A Change In The Balkan Trend

By PHILIP DEANE, London Observer Foreign News Service, from Athens

THE EVENTS of 1949 proved that the Balkans were the weakest point in the satellite belt Russia built after the war for her protection and as stepping stone for further expansion.

NEARER MOSCOW

Tito's apostasy and the defeat of the Greek Communist guerrillas by the British-trained and American-equipped Greek army, shifted the centre of gravity of Russia's south-westward drive back nearer to Moscow, marking the Kremlin's first actual retreat.

Tito's successful defiance confronts the Russians with a difficult problem of discipline. This new heresy against Stalinism has successfully exploited the Balkan peasants' chauvinism, as is proved by the Soviet inability to start a guerrilla war in southern Yugoslavia, the traditional hunting ground for Komitadjis (Macedonian nationalist) irredentism.

With Greece victorious though still shaken, economically weak and politically unstable, Tito has his back secure, since Albania, despite Russian fortifications, does not seem a serious threat to the Yugoslavs. The Hodja regime at Tirana, the Albanian capital, is tottering, threatened by perennially turbulent clansmen from the mountains and agents paid by the Yugoslavs and the Italians; moreover, the Albanian people's hunger aggravates the unrest.

Bonus Gets Results

Financial Post
Recently Herbert Morrison urged a policy of higher pay for more production. This shocked many of his Socialist colleagues, whose policy has been "to each according to his need," and not "to each according to what he contributes to the nation's welfare."

Mr. Morrison probably did not realize how widely British industries have already adopted piece work rates of payment or, alternately, bonus plans that pay a tidy weekly sum to the pay envelope when a worker or team of workers beat their quota of output. These plans are, in general, supported by labor unions in the factories.

It is from there, according to the latest reports, that Belgrade expects a possible attack in the spring. Curiously enough, the Yugoslavs appear to anticipate such an attack with pleasure—the fanatical Marxist-Leninist rulers as a chance for sacrifice, and the majority of Yugoslavs as the only hope for eventual liberation from Titoism or any other form of Communism—through the war they all believe a Russian attack will start.

Whether the Yugoslav anticipations are correct or not remains to be seen.

British Immigration

Windsor Star

Immigration from Britain is falling off to a trickle, and just when it should be in full flow. Because those who wish to come to Canada are limited to about \$770 in Canadian money they can take from the United Kingdom in any one year. There is no similar limitation upon those who go to Australia, New Zealand or other parts of the sterling area.

If some way can be found to overcome this difficulty, whether by loans to cover the amount that can be withdrawn from Britain over a four-year period or by other plan, it would be in the Canadian interests.

GLOBAL SURVEY

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
Associated Press News Analyst

NOW that the Chinese Communists have had their sweeping victory bolstered through recognition of their government by Britain, what can we expect next? What is the significance of the loss of China to the democracies?

Britain reminds us that formal recognition of a government doesn't imply approval but may merely be acknowledgement of the obvious fact that a regime has been established. Well, that is true, but recognition by a major power is in effect a passport which can carry the new government far with other countries.

That recognition may be an open sesame for further recognitions. Moreover, it is likely to strengthen the hand of the Chinese Communists in spreading communism in the Far East. We may take it for granted that one of the early developments will be application of pressure by Red China to bring neighboring Asiatic countries into the Communist fold. One of the strangest things about this incongruous situation is that British Commonwealth foreign ministers, headed by Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin of Britain, are meeting at Colombo, Ceylon, to devise ways and means of preventing spread of Communism by the self-same government which several of them have just recognized.

Does establishment of the Peking Communist regime mean that all China's 500,000,000 people have been communized? It does not. It means that the Red armies have virtually knocked out the Nationalist forces militarily. The probabilities are that the vast majority of the Chinese peasants are neither Communist nor Nationalist.

CLIPPED AT RANDOM

MISREAD SIGNS

Exchange
The winner of a prize for cooking says she likes to cook because she likes to eat. Perhaps there's a lesson here for those swains who get scared away when their "dates" order everything on the menu.

TRAVELING LIGHT

The Times of London

Those of us who are racked by indecision whenever we are called upon to pack a small suitcase for a week-end visit will envy the resolution of the American waiter who flew to Ireland recently on holiday and took no luggage with him. It should be added that he was on his way home again thirty-six hours later and that his absence from the hotel where he worked lasted only four days in all, but the thought of being nearly 3,000 miles from home with no change of socks is enough to daunt any but the most hardened wayfarer.

WELL, AREN'T THEY?

Calgary Albertan

Communists claim that religion is a drug, like opium, to make people unaware of and indifferent to their physical circumstances.

Yet Stalin was hailed as "Inspiration of Creation," "Gladness of Life," "Father of Workers of the World," and so on. What went on in Moscow was just as fervent a manifestation of religion as anything that transpired on Christmas Day in Calgary. The Communists have their religion, too, with Stalin the Father, Stalin the Son and Stalin the Holy Spirit. Even Marx and Lenin are no longer anything more than prophets.

Of course Communists don't call it religion, for that would be admitting they are dragging their people.

Well, aren't they?

RESEARCH CENTRE

London (Ont.) Free Press

On the campus of the University of Western Ontario there is being erected by the Dominion Department of Agriculture a new \$800,000 laboratory. It will be a research building in the fight of modern agriculture against plant diseases, pests and parasites. It will be staffed and handled by the Dominion Department of Agriculture, but will work in close co-operation with the university's scientific departments.

Before London and the campus of the University of Western Ontario was chosen as the site of this new research building the Ottawa officials made a quiet survey of the Dominion. It was felt that this district was most suitable because of the diversified farming in Western Ontario. There was a possibility here of making research into nearly every crop grown in Canada.

Discussions On Trade Held By Mayhew All The Way From Victoria To Mysore

Special to The Times
COLOMBO, Ceylon—Canada's fisheries minister, Hon. R. W. Mayhew of Victoria, while flying more than half way round the world to the Commonwealth conference which opened here Monday, has taken every opportunity available to discuss trade.

Mr. Mayhew, who left Victoria shortly before Christmas was Canada's official delegate at the 110th meeting of the International Labor Office in Mysore, India. He is now attending the Commonwealth minister's conference at which External Affairs Minister L. B. Pearson is Canada's chief delegate.

While en route here Mr. Mayhew has discussed trade in London, Cairo, Bombay and Mysore. He plans to do the same while flying the other half of the way around the world when the Commonwealth conference is finished. Stopovers are proposed in Singapore and Japan.

After leaving Victoria Mr. Mayhew spent several days in Ottawa before taking off from Dorval airport aboard a Trans-Canada Air Lines North Star airliner on Christmas Eve.

Accompanying him were Mrs. Mayhew, his secretary, Arthur Sager, and advisers and experts. They landed in London on Christmas Day.

SEE BOMB DAMAGE
Mr. Mayhew did some light-seeing, particularly of bomb damage and with W. A. McAdam.

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Talk Aid For Ceylon

COLOMBO, Ceylon (CP)—Fisheries Minister R. W. Mayhew of Canada will meet Ceylon's Minister of Industries and Commerce, G. G. Ponnambalam, within the next few days to discuss the possibility of Canada assisting the Ceylonese fishing industry, it was learned today.

In view of Ceylon's plan to modernize her fishing industry by purchase of trawlers, cold-storage equipment from abroad, as well as use of foreign technicians, it is thought likely one of the subjects the ministers will discuss will be the provision by Canada of trawlers with Canadian crews.

British Columbia's agent-general in London, and Frederic Hudd, chief secretary of Canada House, discussed trade.

The party took off from London on the morning of Dec. 27. The plane stopped at Geneva, where passengers had lunch, and proceeding across the Mediterranean to set down next at Cairo.

Met by J. M. Boyer, Canada's trade commissioner resident in Cairo, the party visited some of the scenic spots of the neighborhood, including mosques, the famous bazaar, the pyramids and Sphinx, along with several Arab villages.

With Mr. Boyer Mr. Mayhew held informal talks on Canada's trade position.

UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS
While in Cairo the party met several Canadian university officials on extra-curricular activities. They included Dr. Cyril James, president of McGill, returning from India and Pakistan and off to Tanganyika to make a study of the groundnut scheme of the British government; Dr. Harry Morris Cassidy, University of Toronto social welfare director, formerly British Columbia government director of social welfare, now making a study of welfare conditions in Egypt, and Dr. Ertle Leslie Harrington, University of Saskatchewan physics professor, who is doing advisory work in agriculture for the United Nations.

The Canadian party left Cairo aboard a plane on Dec. 28 and touched down just after dawn at Bahrain, the Persian Gulf base, and proceeded on to Bombay where they landed early in the afternoon.

MET AT BOMBAY
At Bombay R. K. Thomson, Canadian government commercial secretary; Robert Rerick, deputy commercial secretary, and Paul Bridle, first secretary from the high commissioner's office in New Delhi, along with an official of the Indian government, were on hand to meet the travelers. Mr. Bridle acted as alternate delegate to Mr. Mayhew at the I.L.O. meeting.

Trade was again the topic of discussions between Mr. Mayhew and these officials while in Bombay. The party also had time for some sightseeing.

The final stage of the trip to the I.L.O. conference was completed the next day when the party took off from Bombay for Bangalore via Hyderabad. At Bangalore the party drove 90 miles to Mysore. The motor trip was interesting since it presented an insight into Indian village life.

The minister and Mrs. Mayhew stayed while in Mysore at Government House.

The next day Mr. Mayhew and his staff launched into committee meetings which preceded the plenary sessions of the conference. The formal meetings got under way last Tuesday and continued through to Saturday.

The Mayhews and party returned to Bangalore, and proceeded on to Madras and Colombo. The Commonwealth Conference got under way there Monday.

Cates Finds Out What's Wrong With Labor Code
Labor Minister John Cates should have a pretty good idea within the next two weeks of what is wrong with B.C.'s labor code.

He currently is hearing opinions from all groups directly interested in the law.

During the 1949 session of the Legislature, Mr. Cates' predecessor, Hon. Gordon S. Wismer, promised that an opportunity would be given both labor and management to make representations on the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act. The act was not opened up last year by the Legislature.

This promise, made on behalf of the government, was reiterated during the provincial general election campaign last spring. Now Mr. Cates, who took over the labor portfolio last summer, is carrying it out.

He started last Thursday on the task which involves a lot of listening, study and discussion. Last Thursday he heard representations from the B.C. executive of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada—representing the A.F.L.-affiliated unions throughout the province.

On Friday of last week the B.C. Electric and officers of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, the only two railway companies in B.C. governed by provincial laws, had their say.

Now he is taking a few days off to look after his office work and digest what has been said so far. On Wednesday he'll start listening again.

The B.C. Federation of Labor, the Canadian Congress of Labor's B.C. organization, is scheduled to make its opinions known Wednesday. On Thursday representatives of the railway running trades will go before the minister.

Next Monday the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers' officers will tell Mr. Cates what's wrong with the law.

Wednesday of next week Mr. Cates will hear the other side of the question. A delegation representing industry is to meet the minister.

At the moment it is too early for Mr. Cates to say whether the labor act will be overhauled at the forthcoming session of the Legislature. To date, he reports, changes asked have been mainly those previously sought and rejected by the government.

When he has completed the hearings, Mr. Cates will discuss the proposed amendments with his advisers and experts. He

then will be in a position to make recommendations to the provincial cabinet on a possible course of action.

Whether the current hearings will eliminate the annual trek of union officers and management representatives to the Parliament Buildings to make representations on the labor laws he does not yet know.

Police Arrest Four; Bonds Recovered
MONTREAL (CP)—Four Montreal men were arrested by suburban Ville St. Laurent police Monday night after a wild chase marked by gunfire shortly after they had allegedly stolen a safe containing \$30,000 in bonds from a fashionable north-end home.

The four were arrested as they attempted to flee from their taxi cab after being stopped by two constables for questioning on a deserted road.

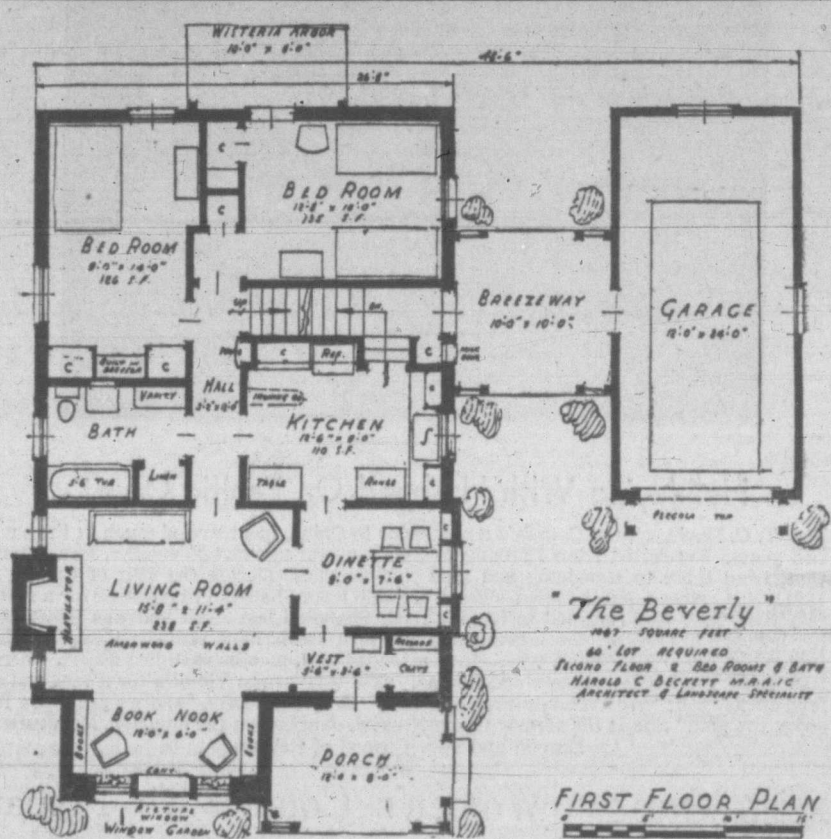
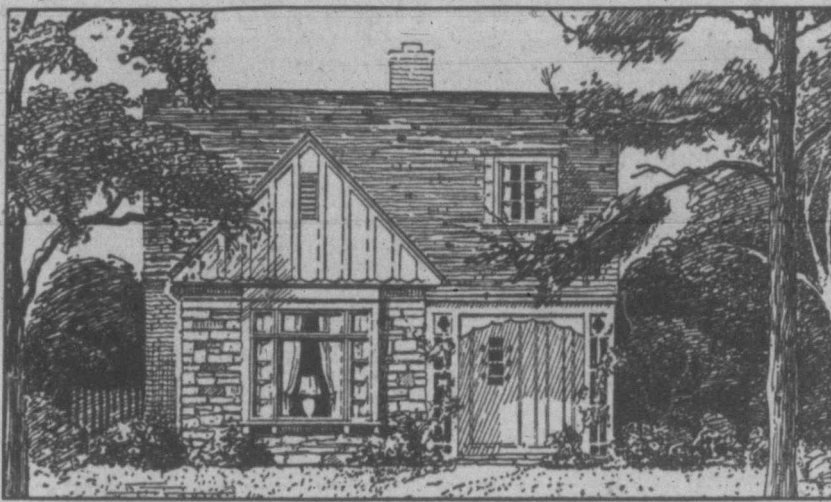
Police fired several warning shots before the fleeing quartet stopped. No one was injured.

Police said they found the safe containing the bonds, \$200 cash and some jewelry in the car's trunk.

The men were identified as Jack Corensky, 29, Sam Gordon, 39, Henry Harris, 26, and his 20-year-old brother, Benny.

Holm Attending R.C.M.P. College
Detective Corporal Elmer "Sandy" Holm of the B.C. Police Criminal Investigation Branch, is the other Victoria officer who is attending the R.C.M.P. college in Regina which opened Monday. Acting Chief of Police John Blackstock is also attending the three-month course.

Says Housing Costs Will Not Decrease
MONTREAL (CP)—Allan C. Ross, president of the Canadian Construction Association, predicted Monday night that although the present high level of housing construction in Canada will be maintained in 1950, no decrease in costs is likely. Mr. Ross also said at a press conference that more housing projects for low income groups will be impossible without some form of government subsidy.



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This is another suggestion in home planning prepared for readers of the Times by Harold C. Beckett, architect.

Asks For Reduction In Motor Car Taxes
VANCOUVER (CP)—Motor vehicle taxes—which constitute \$24,000,000 of the British Columbia government's \$92,000,000 revenue should be reduced, Clarke Simpkins of Vancouver told the opening session of the B.C. Motor Dealers' Association here Monday night.

He said that on every \$2,000 automobile transaction, more than \$300 goes in direct taxes. Owners pay 30 per cent of their fuel costs in direct taxation. He added he did not believe motor vehicle taxes should pay the full cost of highways.

U.S. Naval Vessel Sets Out For Tests In Gulf Of Alaska
PORT HUENEME, Calif. (AP)—The U.S. Navy announced that one of its ships would leave today for the Gulf of Alaska, where its mission will include "operational use of guided missiles under adverse conditions when launched from a mobile seaborne platform."

The ship, the U.S.S. Norton Sound, a converted seaplane tender carrying 500 officers and men, will have as its primary mission, however, the collection of research data on cosmic rays the navy announcement said.

Cosmic-ray information will be sought with the aid of the "Aerobee" rocket, which reaches an altitude of 75 miles. The 20-foot rocket carries instruments to gather such data.

No other details were given on the plans to experiment with guided missiles.

Dr. J. A. Van Allen of Johns Hopkins University will be in charge of the cosmic ray research. The ship is expected to return here Jan. 31. On the trip north it will be put into Vancouver Jan. 22.

Astronomical Council Elects Victoria Man
TORONTO (CP)—Andrew Thomson of Toronto, controller of Canada's meteorological service, was re-elected president of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada at the society's annual meeting here Monday night.

Those elected to the national council, which has centres in 14 Canadian cities, include E. S. Keating, Edmonton; Gordon Shaw, Victoria; Dr. G. M. Shrum, Vancouver, and A. V. Thomas, Winnipeg.

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Report Reds Arming Albanian Coast
ROME (AP)—The Italian news agency ARI Monday night quoted refugees from Albania as saying the Russians are building launching gear for flying bombs and long-range artillery bases on the Albanian Adriatic coast.

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Gifts For Bride-Elect Arranged Around 'Mike'

Mrs. R. Kroening entertained with a china shower at her home, 924 Darwin Road, to honor her sister, Miss Mildred Bradley, who is to be married soon.

The guest of honor was presented with a red rosebud corsage bouquet and her mother, Mrs. J. R. Bradley, received pink rosebuds.

Gifts were arranged around a microphone, in compliment to the

groom-elect who is a radio announcer with KONP.

Guests included Mesdames D. Bule, P. Woronick, J. Mauro, K. Mottie, A. Bliss, A. Hardy Sr., A. Hardy Jr., H. Hall, C. Watkins, W. Baines, L. Orchin, E. Orchin, W. Lamb, B. Lapp, T. Noble, W. Tantow, F. Oliver, Misses D. Mauro, B. Bradley, L. Bradley, L. Griffiths, P. Bradley, B. Clarke, K. Orchin, J. Reading, L. Karpie and B. Karpie.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rose of Saskatoon, are guests at the Clive Apartment Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gaskill have been visitors in the city from Hollywood, Calif., guests at the Clive Apartment Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Clements came from Seattle to attend the marriage of Miss Nancy F. McGeachie and Mr. Kenneth William Collins recently.

Invited guests from the mainland sent gifts by mail when Mrs. H. W. Drew, 1032 Kings Road, and Miss Josephine Carslake entertained at a miscellaneous shower for Miss Evelyn Mary Drew, whose marriage takes place this week-end. Invited were Mrs. W. G. Drew, mother of the bride, from Sidney, and Mesdames R. J. McFarlane, R. H. Holbeck, G. McPhee, and Misses Marian Heritage, Betty Scotney and Violet Gandy of Victoria; Miss Marguerite Downes, Vancouver; Mrs. W. L. Irving, Hanev, B.C.; Mrs. J. P. Mooney, Aldergrove, and Mrs. K. Arnett, West Vancouver.

Mrs. Cecil French, Empress Hotel, left the city yesterday en route to Toronto where she will visit her son.

S.L.L. J. F. Watson, R.C.N., registered at British Columbia House, London, Eng. during the past week; also Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Proctor of this city and Miss June Mitchell of Ganges.

Miss Sylvia Hawkins was the honor guest when Mrs. H. S. Robinson, 2434 Cranmore Road, entertained last evening at a miscellaneous shower. The bride-elect of this week was presented with a pink carnation corsage bouquet. Her mother, Mrs. G. Hawkins, and mother of the groom-elect, Mrs. B. Caley, received corsage bouquets of carnations. Gifts were placed beneath a white and blue umbrella decorated with pink flowers. Mrs. N. Bird assisted the hostess in serving refreshments, and other guests were Mesdames F. Samway, M. Stanley, A. Loughbridge, J. McNair, E. Mitchell, D. Ferris, J. Kerfoot, J. Merton, R. Sampson, and Miss R. Bowring, Misses Pat Caley and Leona Hawkins.



Holidaying With Husband On Pacific Coast

Mrs. T. C. Davis, wife of Canada's ambassador to China, has traveled much in the past two years. Evacuated from Nanking to Tokyo a year ago last November, Mrs. Davis went from there to Hongkong and then to Shanghai. During the visit of Canada's H.M.C.S. Crescent, she traveled aboard the ship from Shanghai to Nanking for a final two-week visit. She returned to Canada from Shanghai last April and was joined by her husband in October. Since then, Hon. and Mrs. Davis have visited Ottawa, Washington, D.C., and New York, where they attended U.N. meetings; Prince Albert, where they spent the holiday season, and Regina. Now they are in Victoria for a rest and a few weeks' golf. "We certainly need the rest," Mrs. Davis says, "and we are going to enjoy the golf." She is the former Grace Elwood, daughter of the late Hon. Mr. Justice Elwood and Mrs. Elwood of Regina.

Whole Newfoundland Village Celebrates Marriage Feast

ST. CARROLLS, Nfld. (CP)—A wedding in a Newfoundland outport is a community affair. And in the celebrations which follow even shotguns are brought into play.

A recent wedding in this tiny settlement nestling at the base of two towering cliffs was a good example of how the event is marked in similar villages along the coast.

In a place like St. Carrolls everybody knows everybody else so when Betty Pottle and Tom Martin announced their marriage everybody was automatically invited.

For weeks, the women left their chores and worked with needle and thread on the bride's trousseau. Sewing bees and hushed conversations were the order of the day. Bedsheets, curtains and other household goods were stowed away for the surprise party.

On the final day, Tom Martin showed little signs of nervousness; instead he carried out his usual daily chores.

The minister, travelling by boat as the only means available, appeared at the church half an hour late. The entire population of the village was waiting.

The simple ceremony was performed and the bride and groom signed the register.

Then the shotguns came into play. As Tom and Betty stepped

out of the neat white church blasts of gunfire split the air. Muzzle-loaders and heavy sealing guns are all part of the celebrations.

BABIES AND OLD FOLK
The wedding feast, also, is a community affair. Everyone came, even babies and 91-year-old grandfather Martin.

Fried chicken, potatoes, carrots and cabbage boiled with pork, followed by ice-cream made in a hand-cranked freezer, featured the feast.

Toasts were drunk in a potent, home-made blueberry wine. Then the parlor rug was rolled back and the dancing begun. An old fiddler sat in the corner and provided the music for the jigs and reels.

As youngsters fell asleep they were put to bed on chairs drawn together. No one wanted to leave early.

When the dancing ended, the entire community escorted the newlyweds to their home atop the hill.

Another outport wedding had been performed in the traditional style.

Club Calendar

Ready-To-Help Circle, King's Daughters, Wednesday at 2.45, at headquarters, 1012 Douglas Street (above Sprout-Shaw).

Daughters of St. George, Victoria Lodge No. 83, K. of P. Hall, Cormorant Street, Wednesday at 8.

Pythian Sisters, Island Temple, No. 8 regular meeting, Tuesday, K. of P. Hall, Cormorant Street. Joint installation of officers with K. of P. Far West Lodge, No. 1.

Ex-B.C. Telephone Operators' Society, social evening Thursday at 8, home of Mrs. W. H. Yeamans, 1612 Quadra Street... Women's Auxiliary to International Typographical Union, Thursday at 2.15, Williams Building, election of officers.

St. Mary's Senior Women's Auxiliary, Thursday at 2.30, parish hall. Installation of officers; guest speaker, Mrs. H. Earle... St. Martin's in the Field Evening Women's Auxiliary, New Year party, tonight at home of Mrs. B. P. Harding, 650 Cowper Avenue, instead of regular meeting... Victoria Women's Conservative Association, general meeting.

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Esquimalt Group Installs Officers

Mrs. M. Walker was elected and installed president of the Esquimalt United Women's Auxiliary, at a meeting held in the school room.

Rev. F. R. G. Dredge acted as installing officer and others taking office for the year are Mrs. A. Deaville, first vice-president; Mrs. W. J. Parry, second vice-president; Mrs. F. Wheeler, secretary; Mrs. W. Douglas, treasurer; Mesdames R. Irwin, T. Willis, W. Parry, Miss A. Ferguson, social committee; Mesdames H. E. Ray, M. Denniston, E. M. Worth, kitchen committee; Mrs. W. Parry, press; Mrs. I. Thomas and Miss Helen Koholyk, bazaar committee; Mrs. Parry, pianist. Mrs. T. Wallace is honorary president.

Mrs. Walker presided and reports from officers showed a successful year, with a bank balance of nearly \$1,000. Teas, a fashion show, rummage sale, talent money and a bazaar were included in activities.

Hostesses for the meeting were Mesdames G. Jones and H. E. Ray.



Happy In Canada

For Lady Clutterbuck, wife of Sir Alexander Clutterbuck, United Kingdom High Commissioner, the days in Canada are going "much too quickly." Five years is the usual stint for a British representative in the Dominion. Sir Alexander and Lady Clutterbuck have been in Ottawa three and a half years. —(CP Photo)

Women's Council To Prepare Brief On Hospital Insurance

Arising out of lively discussion of hospital insurance plan, a committee headed by Miss E. M. Bruce and including Dr. Marian Sherman, president, and Miss C. Perkins, health convener, was named to prepare a brief dealing with modification of hospital insurance plan, at the meeting of Local Council of Women held yesterday afternoon in Y.W.C.A.

The brief will be brought before the annual meeting in February and will also be presented at the provincial annual meeting to be held in Victoria on Feb. 22 and 23.

It was the feeling of members that funds should be supplied to care for convalescing patients in their own homes or in nursing homes, leaving more hospital beds free for critically ill patients.

Mrs. F. H. Parsons pointed out that patients seeking electrical treatments must occupy a hospital bed to receive treatments free of charge under the hospital insurance plan, where in many cases it was possible for the patient to remain in his home and visit the hospital only for electrical treatments.

Miss Bruce reported on the Red Cross sponsored Home Emergency Service, and noted that over the holiday there was a need for double the service.

Reporting on investigation of lack of herring on local markets, Mrs. Parsons told members that these fish were not on the market all year round, but she stated that locally-cured herring were available and reasonably priced.

Treasurer Mrs. Blair Reid reported a bank balance of \$105.51 which included citizenship fund of \$20.38.

Members decided to send letters to Premier Byron Johnson commending him for his selection of the new Speaker and to Mrs. Nancy Hodges, M.L.A., congratulating her on the appointment. Suggestion for educational study groups which included child guidance, family council, stopping of family allowance as a means of preventing truancy, were received from provincial educational convener.

Miss Lottie Bowron, convener of citizenship and immigration, reported on a four-day entertainment program arranged for new Canadians over the holiday season. Dr. Sherman reported briefly on mental health.

Plans were made for the annual meeting to be held Feb. 7 and 8, and Mrs. George Holt was appointed refreshment convener.

Chanter Continues To Send Parcels

A parcel valued at \$5 was sent to England, and knitted goods to the value of \$4.50 were turned in to Municipal Chapter, Mrs. G. P. Clarke reported at Esquimalt Chapter, I.O.D.E. meeting.

Mrs. A. Warren Smith, regent, presided and plans were made to hold the annual meeting in February in Strathcona Hotel. Mrs. A. L. Oakley, child and family welfare convener, reported sending Christmas gifts to three adopted children at Queen Alexandra Sanatorium.

Mrs. Warren Smith, Mrs. C. L. Bishop, and Mrs. G. A. H. Stelck were nominated as provincial councillors and following business, Mrs. Oakley and Mrs. W. Akenhead served tea.

Woman Pilot

MELBOURNE, Australia (CP)—Ship captains on stormy Bass Straits, between Victoria and Tasmania, can count on Miss V. L. Barrett, one of the few women pilots in the world. She hasn't missed meeting a ship coming into Lady Barron harbor on tiny Flinders Island, where she works.

A tidal wave, following an earthquake, in 1896 killed 27,000 people in Japan.

Nurses' Group At St. Joseph's Completes Work

This month marks the completion of three years of training at St. Joseph's Hospital for fifteen girls who entered the training school on January 9, 1947. The nurses will graduate officially at a ceremony held in May.

The girls include Misses Mae Chykoski, New Westminster; Georgina Collins and Shirley Johnson, both of Victoria; Anne Craven, Salmon Arm; Joyce Hutchinson and June Vahle, both of Cumberland; Joan McDowell, Duncan; Lavina Lavigne, Prince Rupert; Mary Logan, P.I.A.O., Sask.; Joyce Tubb, North Battleford, Sask.; Catherine McInnis, Nelson; Norma MacMillan and Enis Parisotto, both of Trail; Audrey Thorp, Robson and June Ward, Nanton, Alta.

Auxiliary Visits Veteran Patients

Visiting committee of the Women's Auxiliary to the Veterans' Hospital visited 240 patients in the hospital, at the T.B. Pavilion and St. Joseph's Villa, on Dec. 22. Mrs. G. Ree reported at the meeting Monday. Pocket novels, candy and cigarettes were distributed to all.

Mrs. Ree also reported that toys were sent to 24 children of hospitalized veterans.

President Mrs. W. G. Colquhoun was in the chair and Mrs. C. Pelly, treasurer, reported a bank balance of \$554.45. Mrs. A. Ketchell reported \$12 received from sale of dogwood pins.

A donation of \$30 was received from Canadian Legion No. 92, Ganges, Salt Spring Island.

Next meeting will be held at the hospital on Feb. 15 at 2.

P.T.A. News

James Bay—The regular meeting of James Bay P.T.A. will be held tonight at 8, in South Park School. A change of meeting date will be voted on and entertainment provided by pupils of Miss Velde Wille's dancing school.

Cloverdale—Regular meeting in the school, Wednesday at 8. C. Oldham, Provincial Forestry Service, will show colored pictures of the far north, with a commentary based on first-hand experience.

Royal Oak—Members of Royal Oak P.T.A. will meet in the school on Monday at 8. Guest speaker will be J. Halstead, national recreation convener, who will speak on home playgrounds.

Bride's Parents, Friends Send Cables From Scotland

Cables from the bride's parents in Dundonald, and friends in Kilmarlock, Ayrshire, Scotland, were received by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth William Collins following their marriage in Holy Trinity Church, Sooke.

The bride, the former Nancy F. McGeachie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George McGeachie, Ayrshire, Scotland, exchanged vows with the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Collins, R.R. 2 Sooke, on Dec. 31, her parent's wedding anniversary.

Yellow and white chrysanthemums decorated the church for the ceremony conducted by Rev. H. M. Bolton.

The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, J. W. Burns.

Her bouquet of scarlet rosebuds was a brilliant contrast with her satin gown, styled with bouffant net overskirt and peplum. A circlet of orange blossoms held her finger tip veil.

Miss Catherine McGeachie, sister of the bride, as honor maid, wore an off-shoulder gown in pink taffeta. She had matching veil and headpiece, long pink net gloves, and in her bouquet were white and pale yellow chrysanthemums and pink carnations.

Peter Hill, uncle of the bride, was best man. Ushers were Harry Andrews and Robert Collins.

Mrs. C. H. McMillan, Sooke, played "Because," while the register was signed.

A reception was held at the Burns' home where Peter Hill proposed the bridal toast. A three-tier wedding cake, made by the bride's mother, was cut in traditional manner with a naval sword.

Later when the couple left for Victoria, where they will make their home, the bride wore a maroon suit with grey topcoat and accessories.

Clubwomen's News

Empire Study—Two articles, "Scottish Industries" and "All Hallow's Church" were read by Empire study convener Mrs. J. R. Campbell at the last meeting of Camosun Chapter, I.O.D.E. Mrs. J. W. van Norman presided and Mrs. A. H. C. Phipps was named to represent the chapter on the entertainment committee for the provincial annual meeting.

Mesdames A. Mainprize, R. Macrae and J. R. Campbell were named a nomination committee and Mesdames A. M. Florence, Mainprize and S. R. Richardson, will make arrangements for the annual meeting. Mrs. F. D. McKechnie announced that a Christmas parcel sent to Kedleston School was valued at \$28. A sewing meeting will be held Wednesday at Mrs. Mainprize's home, 3095 Albany Road.

Loquacious Magpie
Has Scottish Burr

AUCKLAND, N.Z. (CP)—Auckland boasts a magpie which can speak two languages, whistle and sing several songs. The bird even breaks into a broad Scottish accent when it gets excited.

Peter, pet of Mrs. E. Goodman, was reared by a Scottish settler, and its early associations are revealed in moments of stress, in spite of his later linguistic accomplishments.

He now speaks Hebrew and English with a New Zealand accent. Grace Fields is his favorite singer and he can give exact reproductions of several of her songs.

Junior League White Elephant Party Last Night

Solarium Junior League held its annual white elephant party last evening at the home of Mrs. Grace Jones on Dallas Road.

A short business meeting took place and the feature topic discussed was the 11th annual "Shower of Dimes," which will have its official opening on Jan. 20 at the Pacific Coast Hockey League game with the consent of Lester Patrick, a staunch supporter of the Solarium.

The game to be played that night will be between the Cougars and the Portland Penguins. Leaguers were informed that a donation of \$59 had been received from the Glenlyon School, proceeds from their Christmas concert.

Following the meeting the "white elephant" packages were auctioned by Mrs. Audrey Monk, and a sum of \$29.50 realized.

Plan Social—Victoria Venture Club met in the Williams' Building recently. Plans were made for a social to be held at the home of Mrs. D. M. Brain, 2 Gorge Road W., Jan. 16.

Officers and members of the Open Door Spiritualist Church, 1600 Cook Street, are holding a social, Wednesday at 8, Navy League Chapter, I.O.D.E., Friday at 2 at headquarters.

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Mother Of Two, Ballerina, Producer And Director

TORONTO (CP)—You think being the mother of a family is a full-time job?

Betty Oliphant—mother of two children—has three other careers and she's thinking of still one more.

The secret is simple she said today: "You simply work like a slave 17 hours a day."

Born in St. Andrew's, Scotland—the family home was once occupied by Mary Queen of Scots—she trained from infancy in ballet in London. She was prima ballerina in a number of London shows and produced the dances for seven pantomimes in leading English theatres.

Three months ago she started training dozens of housewives, stenographers, office clerks, students as well as those who

hoped to make dancing a career, for the Christmas pantomime "Mother Goose," which closed last week end in Toronto.

The dances and choreography drew complimentary notices and Miss Oliphant and Eric Christmas, star and director of the show, were approached to repeat it next fall and winter in a number of Canadian cities.

She came to Toronto two years ago following her marriage to a Canadian soldier during the war and opened a dancing school. "One of the hardest problems I faced here," she said in an interview, "was the inferiority complex Canadians have about their own talent."

She hopes to overcome this to some extent when she launches her fifth career, to add to being a mother, dancer, teacher and choreographer.

She and Mr. Christmas are looking for a summer theatre somewhere in Ontario where they hope to produce shows of a high professional standard.

Youngsters Behave; Credit Kindly Cop

DURHAM, Ont. (CP)—Residents of this Grey county town feel they have found the answer to juvenile delinquency.

Their records show that no juveniles appeared in court during 1949, and none of the 276 students at the public school played hooky.

Mayor A. G. Neff, who thinks that's a pretty good record for a town of 2,300, says it exists because young people look upon police chief F. W. Illingworth as a friend rather than someone to be feared.

The mayor also gives credit to good home life, a self-supporting citizenry, and active church and youth groups.

Mr. Illingworth, father of two children, Barbara, 17, and Fred, 11, stops to chat with children he meets on his daily rounds. He has been the town's one-man police force since 1945.

He says that when he first came here he had to break down a prejudice that existed in the minds of children. He found some parents had made their children behave by telling them if they didn't a policeman would "get" them.

It took a lot of patience, but today he finds that children who once went out of their way to avoid him now make a point of greeting him. As part of his program to win children to his side he often takes them riding in his police cruiser.

Mayor Neff also gives a lot of credit for the lack of juvenile crime to the local Rotary service club. It sponsors the town rink, admits children free to hockey games, and last year built a wading pool.

Robert Christie, Rotary president, is principal of the public school. By providing a full program of out-of-school activities, he and his staff have virtually eliminated the necessity for Chief Illingworth to act in his secondary role of truant officer.

The plan appears to have a long-run effect. During 1949 Chief Illingworth had to arrest only 19 adults and he issued only one parking ticket.

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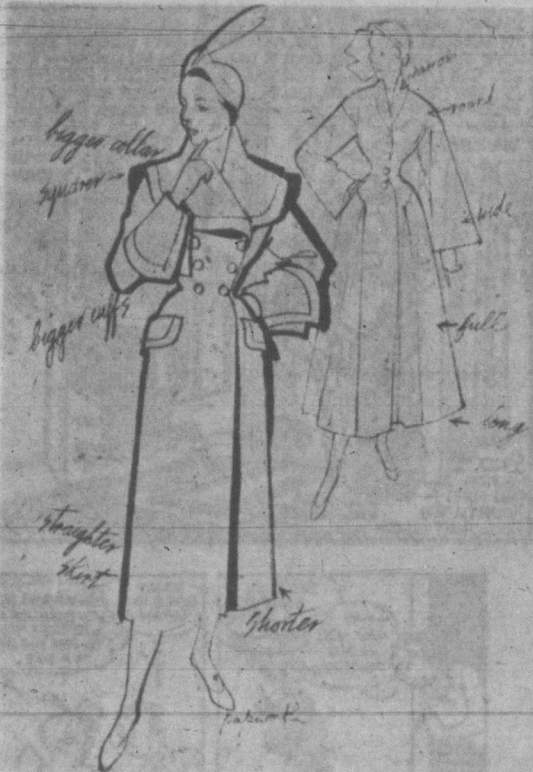
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How Your Silhouette Has Changed

Here is what your coat for spring 1950 will look like. Compare the squarer shoulders, bigger collar and cuffs and straighter skirt with the outline in the background.

Your Baby And Mine

By MYRTLE MEYER ELDRED

LET BOYS PLAY WITH DOLLS, TOO

There has always been a rather self-conscious effort on the part of mothers to keep their little girls feminine and their boys masculine. They do this by frowning upon rough sports for girls and on female companions and playing with dolls for boys.

This seems to be a practice easily carried to extremes. Both men and women have some identical life experiences—parenthood being one of these—and if boys are denied all play activities which relate to the home and babies and girls spared all the fine sportsmanship which goes with "boy's" games, this would seem to limit not only their play experiences but their ultimate growth as well-rounded personalities.

Mrs. M. F. R. says she wishes I would write something about boys playing with dolls. "Recently in visiting some friends my three-year-old discovered a doll. He was fascinated by the parted lips the closing eyes and during our visit he played only with the doll. He is a typical, healthy, normal boy but because of this I thought I would buy him a doll for Christmas, of course, a boy doll. Yet certain people think it is queer. Please express your views."

"While I am writing may I say that when my son was born I adhered to the four-hour schedule and as a consequence there were times when he was unhappy before meals and again I had to waken him for them. He was on three meals at three months.

"Our daughter was on a self-demand schedule. She could sleep six hours between meals and then eat again in two hours. It was so much easier for everyone, as soon as we got used to her routine. We started cereal at five weeks and at 10 weeks she was on three meals. And I mean three meals. I am pouring this all out to you because I

Today's Recipe

BARBECUED SPARERIBS

Pork is an economical buy these days. These rich spicy-barbecued spareribs are the best tasting ones we've had in a long time. The sauce is seasoned just right and has chunks of ripe olives added for the last 15 minutes cooking.

One side spareribs (2 to 3 pounds), salt, ½ cup chopped onion, ½ cup catsup, ½ cup water, 2 tablespoons vinegar, 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce, few drops Tabasco sauce, ½ teaspoon salt, ½ teaspoon black pepper, 1 teaspoon prepared mustard, 1 teaspoon chili powder, 1 cup ripe olives.

Cut spareribs into serving-sized pieces. Sprinkle with salt and brown in very hot oven (450 degrees F.) 15 to 20 minutes. Drain off fat. Blend together all remaining ingredients except olives; pour over meat, cover and bake one hour in moderate oven (350 degrees F.), basting occasionally with sauce. Remove cover, add olives cut from pits, and cook 15 minutes to brown. Serves four to five.

am expecting another baby and I am so proud of my two healthy, pretty children.

And well you may be. As for your boy, let him enjoy a doll and it needn't necessarily be a boy doll. There are girl babies, too, as he has discovered. It's high time mothers recovered from that silly opposition to a boy playing at games which he will certainly be taking seriously once he is married and has a family. In the very nature of things he'll probably drop such play himself as he finds physical activity more pleasing to him.

Thank you for writing and telling me your success with the self-demand routine and for your hearty, good wishes for the holidays.

Our leaflet No. 5 "The First Six Weeks," explains in detail about the self-demand schedules. It may be had by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request to Myrtle Meyer Eldred in care of this newspaper.

Coat For Shoppers Takes Mighty Load

NEW YORK (CP)—There's room for everything but a baby in the new "Handi-coat."

Designed by Clarice Scott, designer for functional clothing for the department of agriculture, this coat is the answer to a shopper's prayer. Styled for rainy as well as sunny weather, it has a detachable hood with visor and shoulder-cape. It is fabric-fast and treated to resist showers and wrinkling.

Miss Scott has provided for everything in her coat. It has zippered pockets to hold wallet and cheque book; a plastic collapsible carry-all takes a large-size grocery bag with a plastic cover for rainy weather; and more capacious pockets at the hip hold gloves and small packages.

A small slot on the inside right sleeve serves as a spot for a shopping list. Near it, in the right-hand zippered pocket, is another slot for a pencil attached to a chain and in another upright slot is space for a fountain pen for writing cheques. A split on an inside sleeve seam makes pocket for handkerchiefs.

As the shopper progresses, she crosses the items off the list on her sleeve. When she gets to the cashier, she opens the carry-all and slings its supporting strap across her shoulder, ready for the clerk to slip the filled grocery bag into it.

The weight of the groceries is thus shared by her shoulders in such a way as not to tire the shopper. When she sits down in a bus or street-car, the carry-all automatically slips down to rest on her lap.

To do away with the old bug-bear of fare-fumbling, there is a fare dispenser attached to a bead chain in the right pocket, which makes fare-paying a single action. Attached to the same chain is a house key.

One of the first models shown had a small red and black plaid for the coat with matching red carry-all and red rayon coat lining. A zippered front does away with the necessity for buttons, while a kick-pleat in the front assures easier walking. The sleeves are wide raglans to permit an extra jacket or sweater in cold weather.

Pamphlets On Cancer Knowledge Ready For Every Age

The British Columbia Division, Canadian Cancer Society, is making a concerted effort to bring cancer knowledge to every age and every group in British Columbia.

This is done by pamphlets available for students, nurses, teachers, organizations and private individuals as well as by 16mm. motion picture sound films which run from 12 to 20 minutes.

For students there is a 55-page textbook, "Youth Looks At Cancer," which is available for all secondary schools. High school teachers can implement this with the 94-page handbook, "Cancer—A Manual For High School Teachers," while nurses may study, "Cancer and Its Cure," which has 48 pages.

Women's Institutes and organizations, study groups and clubs have the choice of "How Your Doctor Detects Cancer" (14-page booklet), "What Most People Don't Know About Cancer" (12-page booklet), "Answers To Your Questions About Cancer" (12-page booklet), "X-Ray, Radium and Surgery" (24-page booklet), "Who, What, Why, Where and When of Cancer" (18-page booklet) as well as a number of 8-page pamphlets—dealing with "Cancer of the Skin," "Cancer In and About The Mouth," "Cancer of the Breast," "Cancer of the Digestive Tract," "Cancer of the Respiratory Tract," "Cancer of the Uterus," "Cancer of the Genito-Urinary Tract".

A four-page leaflet, "The Traitor Within" is available for film showings.

Two color films, "The Traitor Within" and "You, Time and Cancer," and the black and white films, "The Doctor Speaks His Mind," "Time Is Life," "Exploring with X-Rays," "Choose to Live," "The Battle Against Cancer," "On Guard," and "Enemy X" may be obtained for meetings and study groups.

"The Cancer Crusaders," also in black and white, was produced by the British Columbia Division and tells of the battle against cancer in this province.

Any of the above literature or



Discuss Developments

Senator Cairine Wilson, one of the two women members of the Senate and Canadian delegate to the United Nations General Assembly at Lake Success, discusses developments with A. S. Strepanenko, Byelorussian delegate to the U.N., during a meeting of the Economic and Social Council.—(CP Photo)

use of the films is available free at the British Columbia Division, Canadian Cancer Society, 2676 Heather Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Psychiatrists Meet Scots' Divorce Boom

EDINBURGH—(CP)—More lads and lassies are going to the divorce courts.

In the court of session here, 1949 divorce actions numbered 2,442, up 396 from the previous year.

Rev. William S. Tindal, chairman of Edinburgh Marriage Guidance Council, blamed housing shortages for the increase in broken marriages.

"The old idea of marriage as a union for all time no longer applies," said Professor Tindal. "More and more young people in marriage regard it as a temporary arrangement."

Dr. William P. Kraemer, psychiatrist at Edinburgh's Davidson Clinic, said the end of the war had brought an increase in the number and variety of marriage problems. He said Davidson Clinic plans a summer school this year for psychologists where

some of the difficulties facing married couples would be examined.

PLYMOUTH, England—A printed notice reading "Nylons 7s 6d (\$1.16) a pair—queue on the left," brought a crowd to a Plymouth store. But when the store opened for business it was found the notice was a hoax.

The Pacific Ocean has an average depth of 14,050 feet; its greatest depth is 35,400 feet.

BURNHAM, Buckinghamshire, Eng.—A free legal advice service has been opened here by the magistrate's clerk's department.

LONDON—Donald Peers, popular British singer who has had to stop singing because of throat trouble, could not see his throat specialist. The specialist was ill—with throat trouble.

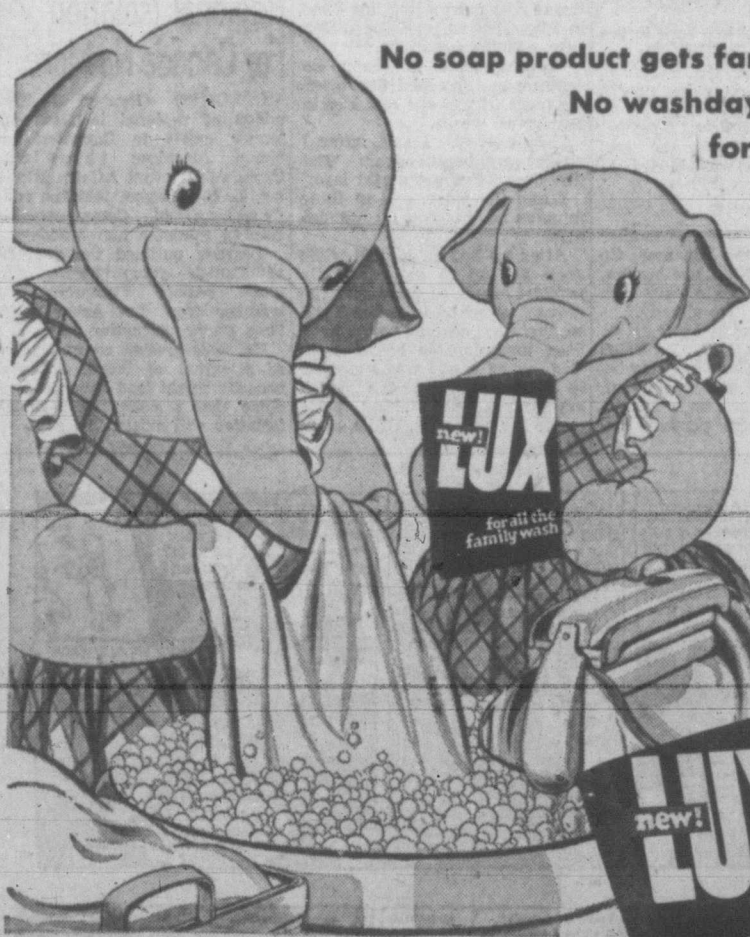
Mount Etna in eastern Sicily, 10,000 feet high, has had over 80 recorded eruptions.

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I Love My Doctor

By Evelyn Barkins

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THE STORY: John and I, after an elopement, decide that our first big problem is to find a suitable place to live. We want four rooms, to accommodate both home and office, but we can only afford two. We want a middle-class neighborhood, but can only pay for a poor one. But we are honeymooning and these things don't bother us too much.

CHAPTER THREE

AFTER almost two weeks of intensive house hunting, I was on familiar terms with most of the building superintendents within a five-mile radius, knew their favorite brands of beer and troubles, but little else.

"Lady," said one of them that very day when I had wandered into his territory again while making my usual rounds, "if you could only pay a higher price, I know where you can get a beauty of a place. On Linwood Street South."

"And that's exactly it," I said to John, after repeating my accounting that night, "if we could pay a higher price, we'd have no trouble at all."

That much was certainly true. It is all very well for us Americans as a nation to theoretically traditionalize contempt for material things. Poor but honest sounds magnificent, and perhaps money is the root of all evil and surely isn't everything, but there comes a time in most young couples' lives when it seems like it is.

John and I agreed. Maybe the poor little rich girl does nothing but weep; and maybe the millionaire is never happy until he meets the penniless stenographer who teaches him to do the jitterbug and sing, but did Samuel Goldwyn ever try to find a four-room apartment that costs like two and looks like five?

"Don't worry, darling," John consoled me as, womanlike, I complained the loudest, "maybe you'll find something tomorrow; and if not, we'll still get a whole week in which to look. Besides, tomorrow's Saturday, and the fellows are throwing us a combination wedding and farewell party, remember?"

"I almost forgot that," I exclaimed, jumping up off the bed to get my curlers, my one outstanding sop to all social affairs. Then I got a better idea. "Let's make a date of it," I said eagerly. "I'll meet you at the Chinese restaurant before the party; we'll eat and then go. And I bet I'll have good news to tell you about the housing situation!" I finished ferociously.

So the next morning, I started out especially early, determined on an apartment or else. It was "or else." By 4 in the afternoon, I was hungry, heartless, physically harassed and still homeless. Since I was near my mother's house, I decided to drop in there and recuperate before meeting John at 5.

"Hello," my mother said pleasantly as I entered. "What's wrong with you?"

Nothing makes a girl feel as bad as to be told she looks bad; and since I was feeling bad in the first place, I began to feel worse.

"Everything's wrong," I groaned.

"No apartment yet?" my mother asked.

"Not a one." In an effort to emerge from my gloom, I opened up the refrigerator, and stood there appraising the contents for a good take. "I just can't find a thing within our means," I said, reaching for a likely look-



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ing chicken wing. "If only we had more to spend!"

MOTHER FINDS OUT

My mother gave me that blessed-are-the-poor look as I swallowed my first bite. "You made your own bed," she said virtuously; and I will never understand why people who make their own beds aren't at least allowed to forget and enjoy them. "But, anyway," she continued as I silently munched my chicken, "I think I've heard of something worth while. Interested?"

"Interested!" I jumped at her, food and all, reviving suddenly like a drunk under a cold shower.

After a while, when she considered me reasonably calm, she casually completed her account, as if it hadn't taken her days to track it down. Like many other fortunate people, my mother always had a friend of a friend of a friend, who had a further friend, with the right information tagged at the end. To someone like me, who never in my life won at bingo, such ability was downright remarkable. In this particular case, it was a plain miracle.

"Mrs. Bodenheim told me that her cousin has a sister-in-law whose uncle lives in a house where the doctor just moved out," said my mother.

"Where is it?" I interrupted anxiously, as I gave up trying to follow the genealogy. "42 Longview Road," she answered. "And it's got four rooms."

I threw my chicken bone in the sink and went looking for my purse.

"Where are you going now?" asked my mother.

"To see it, of course," I replied automatically, as if she had asked me who was buried in Grant's Tomb.

TOO LATE NOW

"Look, dear," said my mother patiently, "it's too late now. Go tomorrow with John, and besides, I thought you had a date with him; it's almost five already."

"Is it?" I had to look to be convinced. Reluctantly, I decided to wait until Sunday morning before inspecting the apartment, and settled instead on a 10-minute clean-up and personal re-

decoration drive before going to meet John.

As I washed and powdered, my mother insisted on giving me detailed instructions on how to act and what to say when I would go to Longview Road the next day.

"Don't show that you're too anxious," she said, "and don't accept the first price quoted. Mrs. Bodenheim said the rental was reasonable, but you say it's too high. They're always a few dollars out of the way anyhow. And wipe off some of that lipstick," she finished, handing me a tissue.

Poor mother. Since then I have come to realize how difficult it must be for any parent to face the thought that her children are grown and independent, and how especially difficult it must have been for mine to permit me to arrange things myself, knowing, as she did, that the mere possession of a wedding ring did not necessarily endow the owner with sudden maturity, wisdom, and shrewdness.

But then, of course, I was only annoyed.

"Oh, Mom," I spoke impatiently, "you talk as if I were a child."

To which she sniffed. "Have a good time, baby," she said and kissed me goodbye.

REAL LEAD AT LAST

I flew to Tum Foo's in a spirit of joy. Yesterday, time had been marching by to the tune of Chopin's funeral dirge, but today it was Alexander's Ragtime Band in Blue Heaven, and the difference was immeasurable.

"You've found it," John exclaimed as I reached our meeting place. It was the best kiss in nearly two weeks.

"Not exactly," I said, after I caught my breath again. "But this time we've got a real lead."

I told the story, and in three minutes he was equally enthusiastic.

After we had eaten, and while John got up to get my white jacket, I examined the check. The thought occurred to me as I did so, that such conduct would have been unpardonable before marriage when a girl was supposed to be totally blind to the pecuniary transactions taking place under her very nose. While, after

marriage, a financial statement in any form expects and receives the avid interest of a love letter.

"Let's take a cab," John said, when we stood on the street again. "We're a little late, and we're celebrating."

A budget must have been an original female invention for all that most men understand of it.

"Too expensive," I protested, "and we really don't have anything definite to celebrate yet," I finished, crossing my fingers behind me.

"A celebration," said John hailing a cab, "should have rhyme, but no reason, to be the nicest kind," and I quickly conceded the point. My best times have always been unpremeditated, unprovoked, and unquestioned.

SHORT BUT PLEASANT

The ride was short, but pleasant, and John and I did right by the taxi's backseat in the best of such tradition.

All too soon we arrived. The hospital, where the party was being held, was an old red brick building with the intern's quarters in a wing on the main floor. My mother always used to say, when we attended social affairs there during our engagement: "It's terrible! You young people carrying on downstairs, laughing and dancing, while upstairs those poor people are sick and may be even dying!"

But somehow it never seemed that way to any of us. To all the boys living and working there, the hospital, and especially their own quarters, was like a wonderful, shabby home. To those of us visiting, it was just a social hall, with no scientific connotations at all. Of course, the loudspeaker would call at different intervals: "Dr. Hines wanted in Emergency," and so forth. And sometimes someone would have to leave because a baby was being born on the fifth floor, or a new patient needed an immediate transfusion. But, generally, everyone listened only to make sure his particular name wasn't being paged, without ever thinking about what someone else's was being paged for; and many a young girl was wooed and won in the rare privacy of the laboratory alongside the morgue.

"Here we go," John said, and as we entered the intern's quarters it seemed that everyone else was already there. I was also glad, as I stood looking about, that I knew almost all of the crowd, because, for my money, there is no worse ordeal for a young bride than to endure the scrutiny and appraisal of her husband's friends for the first time.

To Be Continued

Regional Isolation For Canada No More

COLOMBO (Reuter) — The policy of regional isolation no longer exists in Canadian or North American thinking, Canada's External Affairs Minister, L. B. Pearson, told the conference of Commonwealth foreign minister here Monday.

Pearson outlined the attitude of Canada—geographically the most remote Commonwealth member from the Asian problems under discussion here.

Canada's present concentration of attention on North Atlantic security might lead some to conclude that a policy of regional isolation still existed, he said.

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YOU'VE BETTER GET OUT OF THERE, LOU! IT TAKES A BATH IN WATER AND ALCOHOL TO GET IT OFF.

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BOY, THAT ENGRAVER THIS WASHER REALLY GIVES SHOULD GET A GOOD BATH.

WE'LL PULL A PROOF AND SEE IF OUR JOB IS GOOD.

NOW IN THE HECK DID HE GET ON THIS?

WE SAW EACH ENGRAVING TO THE REPRODUCED SIZE.

YOU CAN SEE HOW SHOT AND DEEP THE CUTS BETWEEN THE DOTS?

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Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

WHAT'S wrong with the Cougars? That's a question going the rounds of the city's hockey faithful following the club's two defeats on the road over the week-end. Friday night the fans saw the Cougars come up with a smart performance to spank the division-leading New Westminster Royals. Cougars outplayed the Royals and club supporters were confident the team had come out of its slump and was ready to renew its bid for a playoff berth. Apparently Friday's exhibition was only a flash in the pan and today the club's position in the standings is even more precarious. There is every chance the Cougars will find themselves in the cellar before the week is out.

ONE reason advanced for the in-and-out performance of the team is the absence of a "spark." The club lacks a player who can inspire the remainder of the outfit. Little Eddie Dorohoy was thought to be the answer when he joined the Cougars but he has proven to be an individualist. Then again the team lacks experience when the going gets tough. Cougars boast the youngest team in the northern division and possibly the entire league. On the other hand that same youth should stand the team in good need when it comes to skating. Yet in games on the road the Victoria players are outskated. That needs some explaining.

BIGGEST single weakness of the team, in this writer's opinion, is its lack of defensive strength. Since the opening of the season the club has suffered from not having at least one defenceman who could step into opposing forwards and slow them down. Everyone of the Victoria rearguards is a stick checker. Result is that forwards of opposing teams can breeze in with the knowledge they are not going to get hit. In addition, the Cougars' forwards, outside of Georges Bougie and Larry Thibeault, never make it rough for the opposition in the corners and along the boards.

ON his return from the annual meeting of the Western International Baseball League, business manager Reg Patterson of the Victoria Athletics hopes to have his "through-the-middle" combination settled. Before his departure for the session, Patterson disclosed that manager Marty Krug had informed him he is hopeful of signing Art Lilly for the second-base berth next season. While with Yakima in 1947 Lilly and his shortstop partner Les Barnes set up a new W.I.L. double-play record, since broken. Patterson plans to work on a deal with Portland business manager Bill Mulligan for the services of shortstop Bud Peterson. This pair would give the Athletics a smart keystone combination—one of the best in the league.

Cougars Imposing Home Record Offset By Dismal Road Showing

If Victoria Cougars don't soon start winning games away from home the club is definitely destined for the basement suite in the northern division of the P.C.H.L.

To date the Cougars have been most impotent when away from the friendly confines of the Memorial Arena as compared to a fine record at home. But no title has ever been won by a team that can't win on the road.

An example of the impotency of the club can be gained by a glance at the season's record. The Cougars have lost 15 while winning two and tying one on the road. Their home mark is 16 victories, five defeats and two ties.

The club has lost three games on foreign ice to every team in the Northern Division while winning their two games against the Vancouver Canucks, the last victory being as far back as Nov. 15.

PENGUINS TROUBLESOME

At home the team holds a better than even mark against every team with the exception of Portland Penguins with whom they have split in four games. The best record is against Tacoma Rockets who the Cougars have

defeated in four straight contests. The season's over-all record gives the Cougars an edge over Vancouver (5-4) and Tacoma (4-3) and a deficit against the other three clubs, last-place Portland holding the largest margin over the locals with five victories against two defeats. On the credit side is the fact Cougars hold a 3-0 edge over teams of the southern division.

WARES TO PLAY

Meanwhile word from the Cougar camp as the club prepares for Friday night's game at Vancouver is that coach Eddie Wares

will be fit to play against the Canucks.

Wares suffered a groin injury at Seattle Sunday and did not see action in the final period of the game. However, the injury is not as serious as at first believed and the popular player-coach will be able to take his regular turn on the defence.

Before returning home to meet Seattle Ironmen here Tuesday night the Cougars will meet New Westminster Royals at New Westminster Sunday.

Other games at home this month find Portland here Jan. 20, New Westminster Jan. 24 and Tacoma Jan. 27.

Mazur, Bougie Top Cougars In Scoring

Left-winger Alan Kuntz of the third-place Vancouver Canucks continues to head the field in the Pacific Coast Hockey League northern division scoring race, but runner-up Doug Adam of Tacoma has narrowed the gap down to three points, latest figures show.

Kuntz has blinked the red light on 28 occasions and assisted in flashing it 33 times for a total of 61 points, while Adam, who is the league's top goal-scorer, has 58 points, made up of 39 goals and 19 assists.

Right behind the pair in third place is Wingy Johnston, another Rocket, who has 27 goals and a like number of assists for 54 points.

Eddie Mazur with 40 points remains top point-maker for the Victoria Cougars, while Georges Bougie and Larry Thibeault are second and third with 36 and 35, respectively.

Cougar scorers follow:

G.	A.	Pts.	Pen.
Eddie Mazur	21	19	40
Georges Bougie	18	18	36
Larry Thibeault	17	18	35
Ray McKay	15	16	31
Eddie Dorohoy	14	15	29
Joe Evans	13	15	28
George Robertson	12	14	26
Flori Goggin	7	11	18
Russ Kopas	7	11	18
Eddie Mattona	7	7	14
Eddie Wares	4	10	14
Tom Hockey	3	7	10
Jack McIntyre	3	6	9
George Robertson	1	6	7

WINNIPEG HOCKEY

WINNIPEG (CP)—Winnipeg Black Hawks scored three goals in the last period to snatch a 4 to 3 decision from Winnipeg Canadians last night and strengthen their hold on second place in the Manitoba Junior Hockey League. Vern Calder scored the winner with four minutes left to play.

Rickey Laughs At New Robinson Rumor

FORT WORTH, Tex. (AP)—Renewal of the "sell Jackie Robinson" story evoked a hearty laugh from Branch Rickey, Brooklyn Dodgers president, here Monday.

"Excuse me," said Rickey, "but it's a joke."

Then he declared that Brooklyn is "not selling players it needs."

Rickey added that the Dodgers have a dozen players worth \$200,000 and to emphasize it, said, "You might as well make it \$400,000."

Boxers In Training Session Tonight

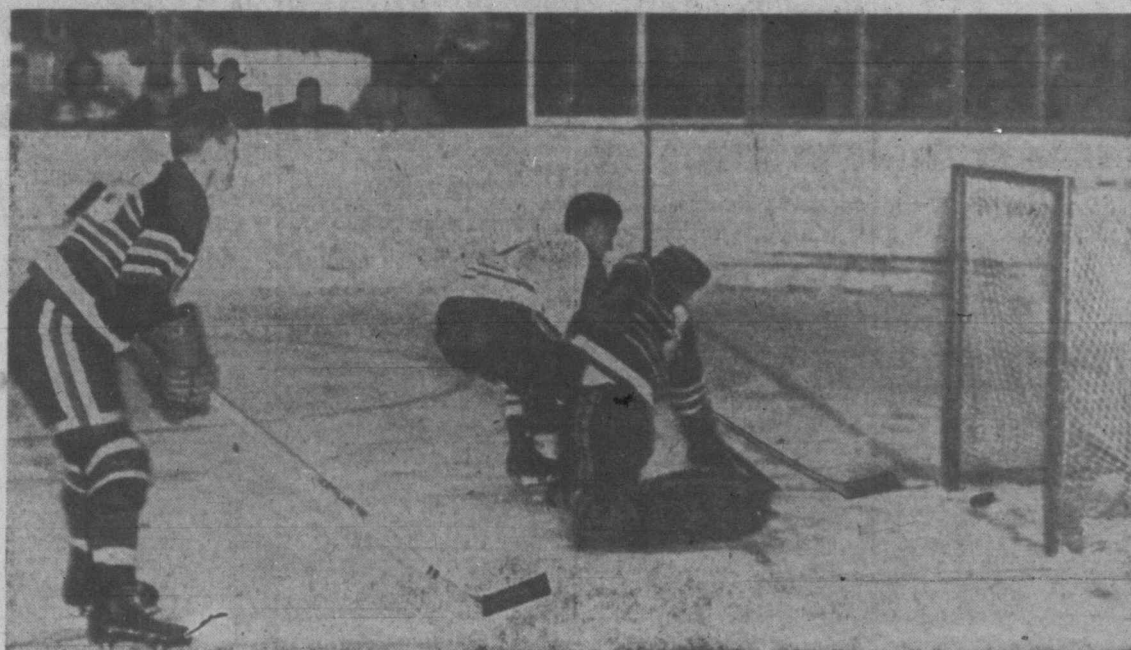
At a meeting of the Mount Douglas and James Bay boxing clubs in the Club Sirocco gymnasium last night it was decided to hold a practice session in the gym tonight at 7 for members of both clubs and others interested in boxing.

The training workout has been especially called to prepare the youthful mitt slingers for a scheduled card Jan. 21 and the Golden Gloves tourney which will be held in the city near the middle of February.

Medicine Hat Wins Junior Hockey Tilt

MOOSE JAW, Sask. (CP)—Medicine Hat Tigers, who dominated the Western Canada Hockey League in the early part of the season, but who are now in fourth place, last night battled their way to a 4 to 3 victory over the second-place Moose Jaw Canucks.

It was the first victory in their three last starts for the Bengals, who are on a swing through Saskatchewan. A crowd of 1,200 attended.



The Rocket Fires A Goal

Paced by Maurice Richard, who is enjoying a great season with Montreal Canadiens, the Flying Frenchmen recently won a National Hockey League battle from Chicago Black Hawks. Picture shows Richard pushing puck into the net as goalie Frankie Brimsek vainly attempts to block him.

PALM BEACH, Fla. (CP)—Conn Smythe, famed head of Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League, Monday shot an 81 to qualify for the second flight of the annual Lake Worth championship golf tournament.

Hogan's Comeback Complete; Title Threat In Last Round



IN DIFFERENT ROLE—Frankie

Logue, well known in city sport circles as a mountsman for the Victoria Athletics for the past two years, will be in town again Friday, but not in baseball strip. He will be in the line-up of the visiting Olympic Junior College basketball team from Bremerton, Wash., for an exhibition game with the Victoria High Totems. Logue is second highest scorer on the nine-man squad with a game average of 14 points so far this season. Jack Rockwell, trainer of Bremerton Bluejackets, will also be in the line-up. According to reports, the Collegians average 60 points each game. Last year's club finished fourth in the National Junior College tournament at Hutchinson, Kans.

Canadian Curlers Defeated By Scots

GLASGOW (CP)—Touting Canadian curlers split down the middle Monday for exhibition matches against Scottish rivals in Perth and Glasgow, losing in both places.

The Canadians' A team, led by Erick P. Willis of Winnipeg, lost by 16 shots to Perth, scoring 119 to Perth's 135.

In Glasgow, the B team led by N. C. Ralston of Saint John, N.B., lost by 32, notching 112 against 144.

N.H.L. Rookie Award

15 Freshmen Fight For Trophy

MONTREAL (BUP)—The field was narrowed to 15 eligibles today for the Calder Memorial Trophy, awarded annually to the best rookie to break into the National Hockey League, the award committee announced.

Boston Bruins led the number of eligibles with six while the New York Rangers had five. Montreal Canadiens, Detroit Red Wings, Toronto Maple Leafs and Chicago Black Hawks each had one.

The six Boston freshmen were: Dave Creighton, Sylvio Petto, Zello Toppazzini and Arnie Kullman, wingers; center Phil Maloney and goalie Jack Gelineau. Of the five only Gelineau was not at one time a member of the Hershey Bears, Boston's farm team in the American League. Gelineau was signed directly from McGill University campus in Montreal. Defencemen Gus Kyle and Jack Lantieri and forwards Jackie Mc-

LOS ANGELES (UP)—It was like old times in the \$15,000 Los Angeles Open tournament today—Ben Hogan challenging for the lead in the stretch.

But whether Ben is able to overcome tiny Jerry Barber's two-stroke lead does not matter as far as the magnificent Hogan comeback tale is concerned. Hogan could blow up completely in his final 18 holes today and his performance the past four days still would be ranked among golfdom's all-time comebacks.

So completely does the gallant Texan dominate attention that little heed is paid to other top notch performances being turned in during the event. There is only one word around the fairways. It's "Hogan."

Barber, himself, has turned in three rounds of sparkling, and at times brilliant, golf for his pace-making 209 total. He slipped to a one-over-par 72 yesterday, which enabled Battlin' Ben to cut into his lead. After playing his first round in 73, Hogan came through with his second straight 69 yesterday to move into second place and become the popular choice to win his fourth Los Angeles Open title.

After the little men come several of the bigger fellows who still have a chance at the \$2,600 first place money. One-time tennis champ Ellsworth Vines, of Pasadena, had a par 71 for a 213. Sammy Snead, still plagued by a putter which just won't behave, also shot a 71 and is tied with Henry Ransom, St. Andrews, Ill., at 214. Bracketed at 215 are Jim Ferrier, San Francisco, and Bob Hamilton, Landover, Md.

After that the 67-man field stretched out with the others having scant chance of getting into the title picture.

Scores of Pacific Northwest golfers follow:

Chuck Congdon, Tacoma, 74-69-77-220
*Bob Duden, Portland, 72-75-72-222
Stan Leonard, Vancouver, B.C., 77-73-73-223
Al Zimmerman, Portland, 75-75-75-225
Bud Ward, Great Falls, Mont., 80-74
*Ray Weston, Spokane, 79-75-80-224
Joe Mozel, Portland, 79-79-withdraw
*Amateur.

PROVIDENCE, R.I.—Ralph Zennell, 150, Providence, outpointed Sonny Horne, 150, Niles, Ohio, 10.

Leod, Chick Webster and Bing Juckes are the five New York hopefuls. Kyle came to the Rangers from the Regina Capitals, western Canadian senior champions of 1949. Lantieri and Webster are alumni of the New Haven Ramblers. McLeod played for the Moose Jaw junior Canucks last season while Juckes played for the St. Paul Saints of the United States Hockey League.

Gilles Dube, who played 12 games with the Montreal Canadiens before being farmed out to the Cincinnati Mohawks, was the only Montrealer named.

OLMSTEAD THREAT

One of the strongest threats is Bert Olmstead of Chicago. The former Kansas City Pla-Mors winger has already scored 12 goals and drawn 11 assists. The only rookie with a better scoring record is the Bruins Phil Maloney who has nine goals and 15 assists.

The 1949 winner was Pemat Lund of the New York Rangers. Jimmy McFadden of Detroit won the honor in 1948.

Abel Moves Within Two Points Of Lead

MONTREAL (CP)—Veteran Sid Abel of Detroit Red Wings has moved within two points of teammate Ted Lindsay, who leads the National Hockey League scoring race for the ninth consecutive week.

Douglas Builds Nine-Point Bulge In Scoring Battle

NEW YORK (CP)—Les Douglas, Cleveland Barons' high-scoring centre, held his scoring lead for the 13th week in the American Hockey League this week, marking up a goal and two assists to bring his point total to 61.

His teammate, Bobby Carse, held second place with 52 points. Johnny Chad of Providence Reds was third with 51.

Bus Gagnon of Cincinnati Mohawks roughed his way into the lead in penalty minutes, having been banished for 113.

League statistics released today show that the 32-year-old Abel, now playing his 10th season in the N.H.L., scored two goals and two assists last week to bring his total to 40 points. He has a total of 18 goals and 22 assists for 36 games, Lindsay, who has played in the same number of games, has scored 17 goals and 23 assists for 42 points.

Maurice Richard of Montreal continues to lead the goal-scoring race with 24 goals in 37 contests. Doug Bentley of Chicago leads in the assist department with 27.

Chicago's Bill Gadsby took over the dubious role of league's bad man from Gus Morton of Toronto. Gadsby has spent a total of 85 minutes in the penalty box during 37 games.

DURNAN STILL TOPS

The battle for the best record among goalkeepers is getting closer each week. Bill Durnan of Canadiens, five-time winner of the Vezina trophy, still leads the 60-minute men with only 79 goals beating him in 39 games for an average of 2.14 goals a game.

The leaders follow:

G.	A.	Pts.	Pen.
Lindsay, Detroit	17	25	42
Abel, Detroit	18	22	40
Richard, Montreal	24	18	36
B. Conacher, Chicago	24	19	37
Honky, Boston	15	19	34
G. Bentley, Chicago	14	27	41
Horne, Detroit	14	10	37
Pelron, Boston	16	18	34
Prevat, Chicago	16	12	28
Laprade, New York	13	16	29
McQuinn, Chicago	13	16	29

McFater Registers Toronto Ring Win

TORONTO (CP)—Allan McFater of Toronto won a decision over John "Spider" Thompson of Buffalo in an eight-round feature bout of a professional boxing card here Monday night. McFater weighed 133, Thompson 125.

In one of the preliminary bouts, George Sinclair, former Winnipeg boy now fighting out of Toronto, pounded out a six-round decision over Davy Mitchell of Toronto.

pro before a near-fatal auto-bus collision last February. The only difference is in his legs. He tires easily and admits he couldn't handle two rounds a day.

Hogan, who plays out of Hershey, Pa., had all of his old-time coolness yesterday as he toured the long Riviera Country Club course.

There is another little man in the title picture, along with Hogan and Barber of Pasadena, Calif. He is Jack Burke of White Plains, N.Y. Burke, built heavier than either Hogan or Barber, shot a 68 yesterday for the day's best round. It boosted him into third place at 212, three strokes behind Barber.

Also providing the 1,800-odd fans with plenty of action was the opening game on the card between the bus drivers and B.O.P. Although hard-pressed, the Coach Lines skated off the ice with a 3 to 1 decision. In the finale, the Hotelmen came from behind to gain a 2 to 2 sawoff with the improved Civil Service outfit.

In the Navy-Douglas Tire tilt, fans figured the game would be strictly a walkaway for the sailors who went out in front from the opening faceoff. With regular goalie Ab Ellis out of town, reminder Don Thomas was beaten cleanly on his first shot as Ivan Wood batted in Cliff Coulter's pass at four seconds.

TEMPERS FLARE

Opinions changed when the rest of the period and the whole of the second frame went scoreless. At 1:40 in the final cant, Harvey Mitchell made it 2 to 0, on a pass from Coulter. Halfway through, however, speedy Ken Gunter rapped home Len Elphick's pass to save the Tireman from being blanked. Elphicks were frequent, and Mitchell of Navy and Elphick were waved off late in the game with majors each.

Completely out-skated by the youthful B.O.P. squad for the better half of the game, the league leaders had to come from behind to notch their verdict. Game was only three and a half minutes old when Gordie Parks beat goalie John Dorey in the Coach Lines net, finishing off a double combination play with Art Green and Chapman.

Wally Clarke missed tying it.

Hockey Standings

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE			
	G.	A.	Pts.
Coach Lines	9	1	17
Douglas Tire	9	1	17
Navy	4	4	8
Hotelmen	4	4	8
Civil Service	4	4	8
B.O.P.	1	11	0

HOLYOKE, Mass.—Harry Lane, 129, Houston, Tex., outpointed Ermano Bonetti, 132, Rome, Italy, 10.

up at the seven-minute mark of the middle frame when Connie McBeth set him up in the clear, with goalie Reg Meers out of position, but the same duo combined to make up for the miss at 8:29. Centremen Eddie Varga put the Coach Lines out in front to stay at 10:45, with Jimmy Neilson getting the assist. At the three-minute mark in the finale it was Varga who scored the clincher on a play started by Clarke.

Although the action in the final fixture was not as fast as the previous two games, it was none the less exciting. Tony Murdoch and Ray Ball put the government men two goals up before Jimmy Gallant finally beat Archie Sholds, who played a spectacular game between the pipes for Civil Service. With less than three minutes left in the game, Rod Jensen banged home brother Bill's pass and the score was tied.

Summaries follow:

COACH LINES 3-B.O.P. 1
First Period—1, B.O.P., Parks (Green, Chapman), 2:42.
Second Period—3, Coach Lines, Clarke (McBeth), 8:29; 3, Coach Lines, Varga (Neilson), 10:45. Penalty: Harris.
Third Period—4, Coach Lines, Varga (Clarke), 3:07. Penalties: Neilson, Lachroix, Red, Freeman (major), Oberg (minor and major).

NAVY 3-Douglas Tire 1
First Period—1, Navy, Wood (Coulter), 54. Penalties: Johnson, McLean, Pastuk.
Second Period—Scoring None. Penalties: McMorris, Johnson.
Third Period—2, Navy, Mitchell (Coulter), 1:40; 2, Douglas Tire, Junior (Elphick), 10:51. Penalties: Mitchell (major), Junior (minor).

HOTELMEN 2-CIVIL SERVICE 2
First Period—1, Civil Service, Murdoch (Jenkins), 6:30. Penalties: Karsa, Ball (minor), Smith.
Second Period—Scoring None.
Third Period—1, Civil Service, Ball (Gordon), 2:50; 3, Hotelmen, Gallant (Jensen), 8:25; 4, Hotelmen, R. Jensen (B. Jensen), 11:25. Penalties: Thomas, Belleville.

Nanaimo Clippers Edge Kerrisdale

VANCOUVER (CP)—Despite a four-goal flurry in the closing minutes of the third frame, Kerrisdale Monarchs bowed 5 to 4 to Nanaimo Clippers in an Okanagan-Mainline hockey game here last night.

Clippers piled up four goals in the first period, holding Monarchs for no score. The second period was scoreless. Then in the third Kerrisdale woke up with four counters, two by Al Rittinger and one each by Ken Cook and Herb Lovett.

Clippers managed one tally in the third period as Monarchs outshot them 14 to 6.

Dick Warwick netted twice for Nanaimo, with Eddie Shamlock, Alex Watt and Rusty Waldriff scoring the others.

ICE SCHEDULE AT THE ARENA

Tuesday, January 10
Juniors—6:30 to 8:00 a.m.
Cougars—8:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Firefighters League—12 to 3 p.m.

Wednesday, January 11
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Locke Appeal For Reinstatement Likely To Be Granted By P.G.A.

By LAWRENCE PERRY

NEW YORK—Upon good authority it can be asserted that Bobby Locke's request for release from the ban declared against him by the Professional Golfers' Association will receive favorable action.

Indeed, at the annual convention last month of the P.G.A. at Mid-Pines, the South African shotmaker's plea for reinstatement was expected and at that time would have been granted. But no letter came and so no action was taken. Why it did not come last month will be explained in another paragraph in terms of a sequence of misfortune greater than the Johannesburg golfer ever suffered in all the previous years of his life.

Meanwhile, it might be as well to recall the reasons for the present plight of one of the world's leading golfers who in two visits here and in Canada accumulated something more than a modest fortune. After he had won the British Open he was obligated to return to this country to fulfill several important commitments, particularly the Inverness tourney in Toledo. Instead, yielding to solicitations of fans throughout England and Scotland, he set forth on an exhibition tour in those countries.

P.G.A. GOT BAD PRESS

In consequence and despite the fact that American golfers of stature had suited their convenience about golfing contracts—thereby giving Locke something resembling precedent—the P.G.A. barred him from further competition in tournaments here under control of the professional organization. The pros got an extremely bad press here on the drastic action. No golfing commentator that we can recall approved of the Locke ban and disapproval was manifested in outgivings laden with adjectives and verbiage otherwise stinging.

But now, as said, Locke in all probability will receive remission of sentence.

LOCKE'S MISFORTUNE

If so, his projected visit here next March will reveal a golfer with whom nature has dealt

savagely. First, after his return to Johannesburg from England he was obliged to submit himself to an oculist for the removal of a cataract. He had not been out of the hospital a fortnight when he had to return to have his appendix removed, the troublesome appendage having begun to show dangerous symptoms while he was in England.

Then, almost exactly a fortnight after he had been released from surgical care, he celebrated his return to circulation by taking a drive in the fine new motor car he bought when last in this country.

It was the last drive he ever took in it for in touring a South African highway the car collided head-on with another, both being wrecked beyond repair. Bobby, however, was the only one injured but, happily, the damage was miraculously confined to his left arm. Fears that this might at least affect his ability to swing a golf club in the accustomed manner eventually proved groundless and the last reports from him he was swinging away as freely and competently as ever.

So, this was the reason why

Sports Round-Up

By HUGH FULLERTON JR.

NEW YORK (AP)—Baseball is losing one of its best yarn-spinners with umpire Red Jones' decision to retire. One of Red's best was his tale of how he picked a better New York Yankee relief pitcher than Joe McCarthy. Seems coach Art Fletcher gave him Turner's name as reliever when Atley Donald was supposed to do the work. Red insisted on Turner pitching to one batsman, without a warm-up and the guy hit into a double play. . . . Leon Butts, Georgia footballer, spent his Christmas holidays on a 300-mile boat trip down the Chattahoochee and Apalachicola Rivers. If he can spell 'em, he'll never have to worry about scholastic eligibility.

John Bell, brother of pro football commissioner, Bert, is a good bet to become the next governor of Pennsylvania. . . . Bob Slight, a candidate for the U. of Michigan wrestling team, was United States water ski champion in 1947. . . . Willie Knapp, the horse trainer who rode Exterminator, claims that Three Rings has many of Old Bones' characteristics and may some day be his equal as a racer. . . . Sara Christian of Atlanta, Ga., is slated to drive in the winter stock car speed classic at Daytona Beach, Fla., Feb. 4 and 5. . . . Maybe she figures the lads will follow the lads will follow the custom of never getting close to a woman driver.

New York Mayor Would Legalize Sports Betting

NEW YORK (AP)—Mayor William O'Dwyer proposed Monday that New York State legalize betting on public sports events and put it under the control of a state agency.

The mayor's surprise proposal, which seems certain to stir up a far-sweeping controversy, came on the heels of a sharp new crackdown on gambling in New York City, with 51 high-ranking police officials transferred and bookmakers reported fleeing to New Jersey.

Governor Thomas E. Dewey and leaders of the Republican-controlled state legislature declined immediate comment.

O'Dwyer, a Democrat, said he wants it "distinctly understood that I do not favor wide-open gambling but controlled gambling by the state."

He said he will ask the legislature, probably this week, for "courageous and sensible" action to wipe out existing anti-betting laws and substitute legal betting under strict state control.

This would have to go before the state's voters in the form of constitutional amendments. O'Dwyer said it would be "just as beneficial to the state as the elimination of the 18th (prohibition) amendment was to the nation."

In Albany, a bill to legalize off-track betting on horse races was introduced in the legislature. It would authorize and tax off-track wagering on both flat and harness racing through licensed agents.

Two states—Idaho and Nevada—now license commercial gambling.

Award Bing Crosby Memorial Golf Trophy

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Singer Bing Crosby Monday was awarded the William D. Richardson memorial trophy by the Golf Writers' Association of America for 1949's outstanding contribution to golf.

Charles Bartlett of the Chicago Tribune, secretary of the writers' association, announced that Crosby had won the trophy, a

memorial to the late veteran golf writer for the New York Times. Crosby walked away with the balloting, receiving 440 points from the membership of 162 writers. The points are counted five for first, four for second, three for third, two for fourth and one for fifth.

LEWISTON, Me.—Al Couture, 158, Auburn, stopped Ted Brasley, 154, Portland, 5.

CORAL GABLES, Fla.—Jackie Burke, 163, Pittsburgh, outpointed Herbie Kronowitz, 161, New York, 10.

Rep Rugger's Given Chances Of Upsetting Thunderbirds

The Victoria Rep rugby team, to meet University of British Columbia Thunderbirds in the opening game of the McKechnie Cup series here on Saturday, will not be chosen until following Thursday night's practice, Sid Northington, president of the Victoria Rugby Union, announced today.

Hampered by the inclement weather of the past few weeks, the Crimson Tide will rely on two stiff practice sessions this week, one tonight and the other Thursday.

Tonight's workout is scheduled at the Armories, starting at 7.30. The Victoria team as selected

now from which the final starting XV will be named is rated by many observers as having a good chance to cop the silverware this year if it can get by the defending Thunderbirds in the first game.

The pack is expected to be much heavier than in former years while the backfield will be one of the fastest to represent the city in some time.

CHICAGO — Giovanni Mancia, 162, Italy, drew with Joe Arthur, 160, Indianapolis, 8.

MORE GRAND READING AND PICTURES The Standard THIS WEEK



PRO HOCKEY IS EVERY KID'S DREAM In pee-wee leagues from coast to coast, Canadian boys are battling it out with stick and puck. Without kids like these, there would be no professional hockey. See our future pro stars, in action—in an 8 page grand picture story in The Standard Photonews.



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HOLLYWOOD CALLS HER PERSISTENT PERKINS What's it like, trying to get a toe-hold on a film career? Val Perkins ought to know. Born in Shanghai of Canadian parents, she plods the round of film studios and talks her way into bit parts. You'll admire her courage and confidence on a slim budget, as told by Gerald Clark in "Footloose in Hollywood"—in The Standard Magazine.



Greg Clark Helps Expectant Father Canada's humorist, snow-bound on a country road, proves friend in need to an expectant father. You'll like this droll story. It's typical of Greg Clark's amusing adventures each week in The Standard.

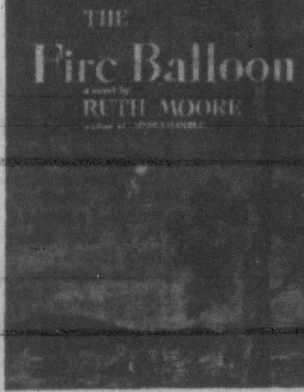
all this and the Comics, too in The Standard THIS WEEK



Hot Dishes for Frosty Nights Here's one of a galaxy of tempting hot supper dishes for frosty January nights, by Kate Aitken, Canada's famed food expert—in The Standard Magazine.



Absurd Divorce Laws So feel two Ottawa Senators, who would like to see our Canadian divorce laws liberalized. Read their valuable suggestions and possible solutions in The Standard Magazine.



"Spoonhandle" novelist writes Again Ruth Moore's "Spoonhandle" was a best seller. She comes back with another top flight novel about life along the Maine Coast. Read "The Fire Balloon" in The Standard.



GATE CRASHERS LOVE A PARTY All over Canada, clean shaven men in neat, dark suits make it a business to crash big parties, to eat and drink on the house. The suave impudence of the uninvited guest, and the many clever ways he passes as one of the crowd, makes an amusing true feature story in The Standard Magazine.

TIDES			
Jan.	Time	High	Low
11	1.10	8.8	2.7
12	1.06	8.5	2.4
13	1.02	8.2	2.1
14	1.00	7.9	1.8
15	1.00	7.6	1.5
16	1.00	7.3	1.2
17	1.00	7.0	0.9
18	1.00	6.7	0.6
19	1.00	6.4	0.3
20	1.00	6.1	0.0
21	1.00	5.8	0.3
22	1.00	5.5	0.6
23	1.00	5.2	0.9
24	1.00	4.9	1.2
25	1.00	4.6	1.5
26	1.00	4.3	1.8
27	1.00	4.0	2.1
28	1.00	3.7	2.4
29	1.00	3.4	2.7
30	1.00	3.1	3.0
31	1.00	2.8	3.3

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Empty Local Match Plant On Market

Western Match factory at Viewfield and Devonshire Roads in Esquimalt had a short life after its opening in September, 1946. Purchased by Eddy Match Company, the plant now is empty, its machinery shipped to Mission. Building is for sale.

Town Topics

Casey Urquhart, no fixed address, was sentenced to 30 days in jail by Magistrate H. C. Hall in city police court today. He pleaded guilty to a charge of begging.

Involved in an accident at Johnson and Vancouver Streets Jan. 14, Stanley G. Hawkes, 1167 Forester Street, pleaded guilty to a charge of careless driving when he appeared in city police court today. He was fined \$33 by Magistrate H. C. Hall.

Monthly meeting of the B.C. Honey Producers' Association, Vancouver Island Division, will be held in Prince Robert House, Wednesday at 8. C. R. D. Feris, of the photographic branch of the Department of Trade and Industry, will show films of British Columbia.

Saanich Council has asked the city what area of its municipality could be connected to the northwest sewer. The request was a repeat of one made last summer which, it was understood, had been referred to the City Council's public works committee.

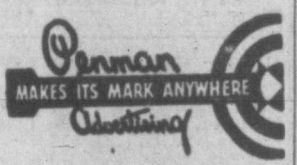
William E. Bradburn 1465 Bromley Place, reported to city police that when he awoke this morning in a room in a downtown hotel his wallet containing \$140 was missing. He said he had been on a party during the night with two other people. Detectives are investigating.

Canadian citizenship papers were awarded by Judge H. H. Shandley to nine applicants in County Court Monday. They were Helena Zdanovich, Sam Lee, Chin Quon, Lee Ye Chung, Chu Tait Tan, Lim New Jong, Lung Ku Kan, Lim Hong Chung and Tool Gun Ng. At the same time 14 persons applied for citizenship.

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Fifty Lost Jobs, Machinery Moved, Building Now Empty

Approximately 50 persons lost their jobs last year when the Western Match Company here was purchased by the Eddy Match Co. Ltd.

The local plant mentioned in a combines investigation report made known in Ottawa Monday in which it was charged an international cartel controlling the wooden match industry existed in Canada.

The report claims the Eddy company took steps, even before the opening of the local plant, to prevent the growth of the new producer.

The Eddy company, the report stated, loaded the match market in the west before Western Match Company was operating. The opportunities of the new company were narrowed further, it was claimed, by a system of preferential discounts and a program of resale price maintenance of the Eddy company.

COST \$100,000

The Western Match Co. plant, built at a cost of \$100,000, was opened in September, 1946. It experienced difficulty in maintaining operations from the start.

Finally, last year, the Eddy company bought all the outstanding shares of the company and operations were closed down. Machinery from the local plant was shipped to Mission where the Eddy company built a match plant after Western Match had been organized. The empty local factory now is for sale.

Man To Face Cheque Charges

The city detective office today was preparing to have a man brought over from Vancouver to face court charges here of fraudulently obtaining money through cheques from various local banks. Det. Sgt. Henry Jarvis has been working on the case. It is understood that several charges may be laid. The man was arrested in Vancouver.

Injured In Fall

Cold weather and ice have brought injuries to two civilian workers at H.M.C. Dockyard. Hubert Hays slipped and fell Monday, breaking his leg. He was admitted to St. Joseph's Hospital. John W. Ellington, 2106 Blanshard Street, also was injured when he fell Saturday. He was admitted to Royal Jubilee Hospital with a possible rib fracture.

New Plates Not To Be Mounted Until Feb. 1

Motorists who have secured 1950 vehicle license plates must not put them on their vehicles until Feb. 1. B.C. Motor Vehicle Branch officials point this out after observing several cars with the new plates already mounted. In a pamphlet sent out with the new plates it is pointed out the Motor Vehicle Act orders that new plates must not be used until after the end of this month. Purpose is to avoid confusion. New plates, however, must be displayed after Feb. 28.

Arena Faults To Be Corrected

An immediate investigation of complaints that lighting and public address reception at the Memorial Arena are faulty was promised today by Ald. Frank Mulliner, new chairman of City Council's arena committee. "All these things will be looked into at once," the alderman said. He said the new committee, including himself, Ald. Hilda Baxter and Ald. William Pinfold, was anxious to see all contracts on the arena completed so that the entire plant could be turned over

May Set Floor Price On Bulbs To Avert Price War

Setting of a floor price on all B.C. bulbs and early spring plants is under consideration, it was learned today from the B.C. Bulb Growers' Federation, Vancouver Island Region.

The establishment of a uniform price for all B.C. bulbs is being urged in order to prevent a bulb price war between island and mainland growers, it was explained. The plan would provide for the shipment of bulb growing plants to eastern Canada through a single agency and at a set price.

The question was fully discussed at a meeting of bulb growers in the pavilion of Dominion Experimental Farm, Saanichton, Monday. A committee was appointed to look into the matter and to see if some form of an agreement could be arrived at between island and mainland growers.

At the same time, the federation empowered a committee to investigate the chances of getting a building for storage, pre-heating and pre-cooling of bulbs and for packing and shipping of bulbs and flowers.

It was explained that in the past island bulb growers were able to ship their blooms three to 10 days ahead of their mainland competitors. This gave them a price advantage.

As soon as the mainland bulbs were ready for shipment, however, prices on bulbs were slashed. The price cut made it difficult for island growers to compete against the more numerous mainland growers.

If an agreement is reached, it means the establishment of the co-operative principle to the marketing of cut flowers and bulbs for shipment to eastern markets.

The approved list includes 3,284 hospitals in the United States, Canada and a few other countries. Dr. C. A. Watson, medical superintendent, said the application of Victoria's Veterans' Hospital was received too late for consideration. He added that he had received a letter stating that a decision would be made within two weeks.

Indians Still Missing

Harry Fisher and Ernest Wilson, two West-Saanich Reserve Indians, were still missing today. They are believed to have been drowned on Saanich Inlet. The boat in which they left to go to Senanus Island on a clam-digging trip last Thursday was found overturned in Deep Cove.

Morris To Become Surveyor-General

Frank O. Morris has been designated for the post of B.C.'s surveyor-general to succeed Norman Charles Stewart who will retire Jan. 31.

Mr. Morris has been a member of the provincial civil service since 1907. He has spent most of the time in Victoria.

While he will succeed Mr. Stewart as surveyor-general, Mr. Stewart will continue as a member of the B.C.-Yukon-Northwest Territories Boundary Commission.

Mr. Morris himself is due to retire in a year's time.

Jail Term, License Suspension For Driver

A seven-day jail term and a license suspension for six months, was imposed against Beaulieu J. A. Bonneau, 741 Queens Avenue, by Magistrate H. C. Hall in city police court today. Appearing for judgment on a charge of being intoxicated while in control of a car, Bonneau was found guilty. He was arrested by police Dec. 23.

License Suspended

A fine of \$50 and a three-month license suspension was imposed against E. D. Jackson, 1004 Cook Street, by Magistrate H. C. Hall in Saanich police court Monday. He pleaded guilty to a charge of dangerous driving, involving high speeds on Gorge Road Saturday night.

A fine of \$35 was imposed against James Wheeler, 2246 Quadra Street, by Magistrate H. C. Hall in city police court today. He was found guilty of careless driving arising from an accident at Cook Street and Burdett Avenue Dec. 21. William S. Norris, 3268 Alder Street, the other driver in the accident, was remanded to Thursday for judgment.

Two Men Injured At Ogden Point

A stevedore and a seaman suffered injuries in accidents Monday afternoon at Ogden Point. They were Joseph Hesketh, 54, Caoe Rodney, who sustained fractured ribs when struck by a sling, and Samuel N. McNie, 14 Pilot Street, employed by the Empire Stevedoring Co. Ltd., who sustained bruised legs when struck by a heavy plank. Victoria Ambulance Service took the men to St. Joseph's Hospital.

Ambassador's Golf Clubs Idle

When you are an enthusiastic golfer, have just completed two and a half years in China and a 47-below holiday in your home town of Prince Albert, where would you go to get in a few holes of the old and ancient game?

To Victoria, of course. And thus it is that Hon. Thomas C. Davis, Canadian ambassador to China, looked out of his Empress Hotel room Monday morning to see, with not a little chagrin, three inches of snow—just like he had left on the prairies.

He was happier this morning when he saw most of the snow had disappeared and will likely not lose any time taking advantage of the two-month membership he has signed for at the Victoria Golf Club.

NOTHING OFFICIAL

The ambassador is unable to make an official statement about Sino-Canadian relations at the present time, but tells of his six months in Nanking after the Communist troops moved in. He describes how things gradually returned to a degree of normalcy once the fighting ceased, with little evidence of anti-foreign feeling after the occupation.

Just where he will be going when his two months leave is up, Mr. Davis could not say.

The 60-year-old diplomat started in Prince Albert as a lawyer and was mayor of that town from 1921 to 1924. Elected to the Saskatchewan Legislature in 1925, he served as provincial secretary, minister of municipal affairs, and was attorney-general for 10 years.

LEAVE FROM BENCH

In 1939 he was appointed a



"Wishful thinking" is the caption Hon. T. C. Davis, Canadian ambassador to China, suggested for this picture taken in his room at the Empress Hotel Monday. Golf-conscious Mr. Davis was looking forward to a round as soon as he arrived here from the prairies—but was greeted by snow.

Judge of the provincial Court of Appeal, but was given leave from the bench in 1940 to become deputy minister of war services, a post he held until joining the diplomatic corps in 1942.

From then until 1946 he was

Canadian high commissioner to Australia.

The tall, personable ambassador and his attractive wife have lots of friends in Victoria—but this is not a trip to visit—it is a rest, they emphasized.

Expect City Budget To Reach \$6,000,000

A city budget of close to \$6,000,000 is anticipated this year as department heads in the administration prepare their annual estimates.

Finance committee of the City Council has set Jan. 31 as the deadline for receipt of estimates from the various branches of the civic service.

The budget last year was \$5,127,862. Of this amount \$4,108,124 was in controllable expenditures and the remainder, \$1,019,738, in uncontrollable expenditures.

It is expected the controllable items will total slightly more this year. But the uncontrollable expenditures so far are an unknown quantity and in the words of

officials of the comptroller's department, "It's anyone's guess."

Civic employees' salaries and school costs are the two main items in uncontrollable expenditures. City Council was forced last year by arbitration board rulings to increase both.

It is expected demands of employees will be taken to arbitration again this year and that similar action will be asked on school estimates.

Choir Officers

Officers of Metropolitan United Church Choir have been elected as follows: Honorary president, Dr. A. E. Whitehouse; honorary vice-president, E. Holloway; president, Mrs. A. Adams; secretary, Mrs. J. E. Walker; treasurer, Mrs. J. E. Brown; librarian, John Gorle and H. Curtis; social convener, Miss Elaine McKay; sick visitor, Mrs. J. O. Welch; ladies' gowns, Mrs. C. Marsden; men's gowns, F. W. Walker; press, Miss Florence Smith.

Asks Better Deal

"Better deal" for the city's aged is asked in a letter received at the City Hall from C. D. Atkinson, 2803 Adelaide Avenue. One suggestion offered was that a list be compiled of rooms and suites available to old people at reasonable rents.

It was recommended also that the city check rigidly on the quality and quantity of fuel, especially wood, sold by local dealers.

Three Cars Damaged

Three cars were damaged in a collision Monday at H.H. Street, Avenue and Douglas Street. City police said one driven by Arnold Wiens, Lake End Road, Langford, was in collision with a vehicle in charge of Agnes Chilton, 603 Belleville Street. After this the Chilton-car collided with a parked vehicle owned by William Newcombe, 2220 Beach Drive, police said.

A plea of not guilty was entered by Andrew Ustick, 535 Hillside Avenue, today in city police court to a charge of careless driving lodged against him Dec. 30. He was remanded to Jan. 19 for trial.

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Court Of Appeal Opens; 17 Criminal Cases Set

Hearings on two murder appeals were set by the Appeal Court today for the week Jan. 16—nine days before a logger and an Indian are scheduled to be hanged on the gallows.

Appeal Court will hear on Jan. 18 the appeal of Erik Valfred Backstrom, found guilty of shooting a fellow logger. His appeal will be followed with that of William Francis Swanson, an Indian convicted of murdering his wife.

Alfred Bull, K.C., will represent the Crown in the two appeals. He will also be Crown counsel in the appeal of Gordon Martin, graduate of the University of British Columbia Law School and an admitted Communist, who is fighting a ruling that he cannot practice law in the province because of his political beliefs.

24 APPEAL CASES

The Appeal Court opened at the courthouse today with 24 cases listed for hearing. Fifteen of the cases are criminal appeals against convictions. Two are against sentences, one of which is that of J. Percival Walls, former Victoria lawyer, sentenced to three years in prison at the Fall Assizes here for breach of trust.

Today the court heard the appeal of James Freeman Cameron, logger, and William Kennedy, real estate agent, both of Victoria, who are seeking to reverse a judgment of Mr. Justice N. W. Whittaker rendered in session.

The Canadian delegation to the talks will be led by Hon. L. B. Pearson, Canada's External Affairs Minister, expected to arrive here after attending the Colombo conference now in session.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the time limited by the Standing Orders of the House for reading Private Bills will expire on Thursday, the 23rd day of February, 1950. Private Bills must be presented to the House on or before the 6th day of March, 1950. Reports from standing or Special Committees on Private Bills must be received on or before Monday, the 13th day of March, 1950.

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Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at the next or following ensuing session thereof for an act to incorporate a company under the name of ALBERTA NATURAL GAS COMPANY, for the purpose of constructing, owning and operating gas and oil pipeline systems, within Canada and without, and to exercise such other powers as may be necessary to accomplish the aforesaid objects, subject to the provisions of The Pipelines Act and to any other pertinent statute.

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NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS, endorsed "Tender for construction of a fresh water supply system at Nanaimo Pacific Biological Station, Departure Bay, B.C." will be received by the undersigned until 11:00 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday, February 1st, 1950.

PLAN, SPECIFICATION AND TENDER FORM may be obtained upon application to the undersigned or from the Postmasters at Victoria, B.C.; Nanaimo, B.C.; Vancouver, B.C. and New Westminster, B.C.

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PRINCESS IN ICE CYCLES—The lovely princess in Walt Disney's

"Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," which is brought to the ice in "Ice Cycles of 1950," is dainty Margaret Field. The beautiful young Pacific coast skating star is one of the array of champions in "Ice Cycles," which opens at the Memorial Arena tomorrow night for four nights.

Brighten Up Esquimalt



A flick of a switch by Reeve A. I. Thomas Monday night turned on 170 new street lights in northern Esquimalt. Short and simple ceremony at Lamson and Colville Streets marked changeover from old to new lighting system. In attendance, left to right, were W. C. Mearns, B.C. Electric operations manager; Reeve Thomas and Joe Casey, B.C. Electric line superintendent.

Street lighting in the residential section of Esquimalt north of Esquimalt Road was increased three-fold Monday when a modern, multiple street lighting system was put into use for the first time.

A total of 170 new fixtures, each with 150 watt lighting, went into play to replace the former system which residents had found inadequate.

Work of installing the new system was done by the B.C. Electric on contract for the municipality. Total cost of the project was \$10,068.

Introduction of the multiple system in the northern half of the municipality paves the way for increased lighting as well in the southern half, where the existing circuit is being reorganized to provide more lights and lights of greater strength.

Major feature of the improvement is an automatic time switch which regulates the street lights to come on at sunset each day.

For the hardy crew members of the 80-foot, diesel-driven boats, the next two months will be a succession of long, lonely hours and hard work. Their only contact with the rest of the world will be their radio-telephones—the only break in their "turn in, turn out and turn to" existence an occasional call at a northern cannery or a heave-to in a protected cove.

Chinese sources said the intruders managed to get the British flag from an outbuilding where it was kept. Consul Edward T. Biggs would not confirm the Chinese report.

The British flag was not on the pole at the time of the invasion of the compound. It had been removed at sunset.

High Chinese quarters here said that troops now stationed at Tansui may be transferred elsewhere to avoid further anti-British incidents.

Repairs to the damaged stern of the barge Island Fried, owned by Island Tug and Barge Ltd., will be made at Yarrow's Ltd., it was reported today.

Arthritis and Rheumatism

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Arthritic and Rheumatic pain and inflammation can strike the joints in many parts of the body and there are varying forms and symptoms. A new concentrated prescription for external use has been found effective in giving quick relief from pain also in cases of Sciatica, Neuritis and muscular aches. The prescription is a combination of oils which you dab with a tuft of cotton on the affected parts. These oils will penetrate the skin barriers so there is no question of having to apply massage. You can obtain the prescription from your druggist by simply asking him for 3 ozs. of Zolvum Oils Concentrated. If your skin becomes tender, get

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Steamship Inspectors Say Capsized Tug Seaworthy

Two Department of Transport steamship inspectors at this morning's session of the inquiry into the sinking of the tug George McGregor told of examining the ship and finding it fit for service.

H. M. Renwick, Vancouver inspector, said he examined the vessel in December, 1946, when the Victoria Tug Company, after acquiring the tug from the U.S. Army, sought to have her certified for Canadian service.

Questioned as to whether or not he tested the ship's stability, Mr. Renwick said he did not consider such a test necessary.

"Did you have any doubt as to the stability of the vessel?" Hugh G. Robinson, Vancouver marine adviser, asked the witness.

"None whatever."

During discussion of the tug's plans, Mr. Renwick observed the plans gave the vessel's lowest freeboard as 12 inches. He recalled that the ship actually had more than 12 inches of freeboard.

Peter W. Forbes, second steamship inspector called to the stand, told of conducting an inspection aboard the ship in June, 1948, in Vancouver.

He said he examined the hull and machinery of the vessel, including fire fighting equipment and lifesaving gear. He reported finding the ship in good condition.

As a result of his findings, he issued a class three certificate for the vessel—a certificate valid for four years, up to June 26, 1952.

The certificate, he said, restricted the vessel to ply between Victoria and Prince Rupert in waters generally referred to as the inside passage.

"Why was she restricted to class three? Why did she not get a class two rating?" Joseph B. Clearhue, counsel for the transport department asked of the witness.

"Because the owners only asked for class three."

Mr. Clearhue asked if a different kind of examination would have been conducted if a class two certificate had been sought. Mr. Forbes said not necessarily.

"If she had not been seaworthy I certainly would not have issued that certificate," witness declared.

Questioned further by Mr. Robinson, the witness said the vessel was fitted with a lifeboat capable of accommodating seven persons. He said the tug could be adequately manned by six.

C.C.F. Chief Asks Canada To Accept Sterling Payments

WINNIPEG (CP)—M. J. Coldwell, national C.C.F. leader, said Monday that if Canada wants to bolster her falling foreign markets she should accept sterling payments for more of her exports.

In a speech to the Winnipeg Canadian Club, Mr. Coldwell said "the logical short-term solution is for us to accept payment for a substantial part of our exports in sterling."

Mr. Coldwell said that under such a program Canadian producers could be paid "in Canadian dollars made available from our budgetary surpluses or from the Bank of Canada."

"Such a policy, of course, would be inflationary," Mr. Coldwell said.

"This policy would involve the reimposition of some controls, and even subsidies. None of us like controls, but to my mind intelligent controls are preferable to unsold farm surpluses, causing ruinously low prices and consequent unemployment in our industrial areas."

Passenger Man Dies

VANCOUVER—Ernest Officer, assistant general passenger agent for the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. here since December, 1948, died suddenly Monday morning at his home. He was 60.

To Repair Barge

Repairs to the damaged stern of the barge Island Fried, owned by Island Tug and Barge Ltd., will be made at Yarrow's Ltd., it was reported today.

Three Freighters Due For Loading

Three vessels are due in Victoria between today and Saturday to load lumber for various world ports, it was reported by Ken Briggs of King Bros. Ltd., shipping agents.

The freighter Myriam, due here tonight from Port Alberni, will load 580,000 feet of lumber for the U.S. Atlantic seaboard; the freighter Nairnbank is due from Japan Friday to load 1,150,000 feet of lumber for South Africa; and the freighter Booden-ga is due Saturday to load 800,000 feet for Australia.

The Cape Rodney sailed from Victoria today for New Westminster for further loading, after which she will put to sea for Australia.

Derelict Sighted Off Trial Island

A derelict scow or float, 50 feet in length, has been reported submerged south and one-half miles south of Trial Island, and mariners are warned to be on the lookout for this potential danger to navigation, according to T. E. Morrison, agent for the Department of Transport.

Among shipping companies advised was the Black Ball Line, owners of Mv. Chingok whose Victoria-Seattle course runs through this area. George Pauline, agent for the line, said a sharp lookout was being kept aboard the motor vessel for the derelict.

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Night Aces	4	2	8	10
St. Louis College	3	3	6	10
Elks	3	3	6	10
Victoria College	2	4	4	10
Normal School	1	5	2	10

Victoria High School Totems are undisputed leaders of the Men's Intermediate A Basketball League today following last night's 40 to 29 victory over Eight Aces at the High School gym.

The prep squad's victory broke a tie between the two clubs for first place.

Jazz Hudson was the main cog in the Totems' drive as he pumped in a total of 19 points, nine of the markers coming in the fourth and final stanza.

Winners gained momentum as the game moved along, taking a 6 to 4 lead at the first quarter, holding an 18 to 10 margin at halftime and being on top 24 to 17 at the three-quarter mark.

Walt Acreman was top man for the Aces with 16 points.

ELKS BEATEN

Elks Intermediate B squad saw their undefeated skein come to an end in a preliminary game against Chinese Students as the Students eked out a 37 to 36, tri-umph with 11 sparked the Students' upset while Jackson with 11 was

umph to consolidate their third-place position.

Lee with 12 points and Eng high scorer for the former league leaders.

Elks defeat combined with Barons' 22 to 18 victory over Y.M.C.A. in the curtain-raiser left Barons and Elks tied for first place. Blair paced the winners with 11 points and Chekwick the losers with eight.

SUDDEN-DEATH TILT

Tomorrow night's games at the High School gym are highlighted by the opening of the Men's Senior B League playoffs. Navy will meet Senators at 9 in a sudden-death game for the right to play Victoria Confections in the first round of the playoffs.

In other games on the card Chinese Students will tangle with Y.M.C.A. in a junior boys' game at 7 and Victoria Normal School will meet Elks in an intermediate A men's contest at 8.

Teams and scores follow:
Night Aces—Mack 4, Acreman 16, Smith, Minnis 1, Davidson 4, Nickolson 2, Boyd 2.
Totems—Watt, Robb, Hudson 19, Hampton, Hendry 8, Garner 4, McIntosh, Parker 2, Ross 16, Oakley.
Elks—Standers 7, Bamford 8, Jackson 11, Adams, Allan 9, McMillan 1, Shields.
Chinese Students—Lee 12, Mar 7, Sam 5, Y.M.C.A.—Powell 2, McMillan 2, Chekwick 8, Kucey, Champion 3, Coulter 3, Barrows—Blair 11, L. Hedges 4, R. Hodges 2, Clark 1, Appleck 2, Harford 2, Bryant.

Canadian Games Team Receives Royal Welcome

AUCKLAND, N.Z. (CP)—Thirty-eight Canadians, the first overseas contingent to arrive here for the Empire Games, received a rousing welcome as they landed from the liner Aorangi today, all looking remarkably fit after the 18-day voyage.

The other 36 members of the Canadian team are due to arrive by air Jan. 21. Today's group included 19 men, 14 women and five officials.

As the athletes disembarked, an air force band played Canadian airs and a Maori choir sang and performed traditional dances.

"The athletes all are in good shape and the team morale is really wonderful," said team manager Maj. John W. Davies.

Following the official welcome the Canadian athletes were driven in flower-decked automobiles to the Empire Village, Ardmore, where they are the first residents.

Members of the Canadian team expressed surprise and gratitude at the "swank" conditions, Irene Strong of Vancouver, member of the swimming team, said she was "thrilled" and her room was "a dream."

Davies said the quarters were "fine and dandy—better than the last Olympics." The Canadian flag was hoisted by Geraldine Bemister of New Westminster.

Within a few hours of reaching New Zealand members of the Canadian section of the Empire Village started their training.

Major Disputes Face U.S. Collegiate Group

NEW YORK (UP)—Facing the hottest issues in 44 years, delegates to the National Collegiate Athletic Association convention assembled today for preliminary debates on four major disputes vital to every important school fielding an athletic team.

Before the week is out, they were expected to take a stand on the controversial sanity code, television, football's two-platoon system and control of post-season football bowl games.

Seven schools—including Virginia, Virginia Tech and The Citadel—faced expulsion proceedings Saturday for alleged violations of the sanity code in the first showdown by the N.C.A.A. on its new regulations governing aid to athletes.

President Colgate W. Darden of the University of Virginia, was expected to make a personal presentation of Virginia's case at a closed session on Thursday.

Names of the four other schools threatened with expulsion have not been revealed. At

least 23 other institutions, and probably more, were under investigation, but no action was scheduled this year.

VIDEO BOX OFFICE THREAT

A nationwide television policy has been urged by the Eastern College Athletic Conference, because video is regarded a threat to the box office receipts at all collegiate sports.

The American Football Coaches Association, under Low Little of Columbia, will pass along its ideas on the two-platoon system and other questions of the rules. It was believed questionnaires received from coaches indicated a majority favored retention of the free substitution rule for another year at least.

Baseball and track coaches also were scheduled to meet during the week. Baseball coaches were considering whether to increase the number of teams from four to eight for a championship playoff, and track coaches were attempting to standardize rules of their sport.

France Gets Money To Buy U.S. Wheat; Sells To Holland

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Economic Co-operation Administration reported Monday night that France, which received millions of U.S. dollars last year to buy grain, recently sold \$2,500,000 worth of wheat to Holland.

Dr. Dennis A. Fitzgerald, E.C.A.'s director of food and agriculture, confirmed the fact that the sale had been made and said the recovery agency takes a "dim view" of the transaction.

But he and other E.C.A. officials said there was nothing illegal about the sale of some 30,000 tons of French wheat. Fitzgerald said E.C.A. does not intend to cut off a dollar aid to France because of the deal. However, the agency might be reluctant to provide further money to France for wheat purchases.

Fitzgerald said he believes the grain came from France's 1949 bumper wheat crop. E.C.A. had given France no funds to buy wheat since early July, when the 1949 crop was harvested.

"However, we take a dim view

of the matter since the French did not notify us of their intention to make the deal and since there is a possibility that France may find it necessary to ask for more dollars later this year to buy grain before the 1950 harvest is in," he said.

Rumors cropped up Monday in the Chicago grain trading pits that France had been—or soon would be—cut off from Marshall Plan funds allotted to buy wheat in the U.S.

Eddy Company Heads Make No Comment

PEMBROKE, Ont. (CP)—Officials of the Eddy Match Company Monday night declines to comment on the report of F. A. McGregor, retired combines investigation commissioner, which named the company as the dominant firm in price-fixing combine in the wooden-match industry.

Hugh Hart, vice-president of the company, said: "It's all news to me. I have no comment to make at the present time."

The head office of the company is in this town, 100 miles up the Ottawa River from Ottawa.

Troubles Aired In Hotel Manager's Suit For Wages

Pending the recovery from illness of a witness, Mr. Justice A. D. Macfarlane, in Supreme Court Monday, adjourned indefinitely the civil suit of Harry R. Gedge, who is suing David J. and Julianne Young, joint owners of the Wilcumia Lodge, Cobble Hill, for \$3,500 for breach of contract.

Gedge, who was manager of the lodge for little over a month, is also suing the Youngs for wrongful ejection from the hotel and also claims wages for himself and his family.

At Monday's hearing Gedge told the court that he entered a verbal agreement with Young to operate the hotel for a period of one year. He was to be manager, his wife housekeeper and

his daughter assistant housekeeper.

Gedge said that after taking over the hotel, Young was hesitant about reducing the verbal agreement to a written contract and this finally led to a disagreement between the two parties.

ORDERED OUT

Mr. Gedge went on to say that shortly after a month had elapsed, Young ordered him and his family out of the hotel. On one occasion Mrs. Young tried to remove his wife and daughter, Beverly, bodily out of the hotel.

Young denied that he agreed to hand over the management of the hotel for a period of a year. He said Gedge offered to put himself and his family at his disposal for a two-month trial period for \$50 a month and lodgings.

The hotel owner said he dismissed Gedge because he refused to do some odd jobs about the hotel. He said he also

objected when Gedge served liquor to a visiting tourist industry delegation and when he found Gedge himself drinking beer.

The trial was adjourned to await the recovery from illness of Mrs. Young, who will testify for the defence. P. J. Sinnott is counsel for Gedge.

Russian Election Set For Sunday In March

MOSCOW (AP)—An election will be held throughout Russia Sunday, March 12, for members of the Supreme Soviet of the U.S.S.R., the Russian Parliament.

An announcement Monday night said the election is being held in conformity with the Soviet constitution. The last election for the Supreme Soviet was Feb. 9, 1946.

The Great Wall of China, built in 228 B.C. by Emperor Chin Shih Huang Ti, is 1,400 miles long.

Plans For Moving Solarium Near City Being Studied

Regarding future plans for the Queen Alexandra Solarium, R. Logan Mayhew, president of the Solarium board of directors, announced that the present buildings have become unsuitable and that a site nearer to the city was being contemplated.

A new unit was designed some three or four years ago, Mr. Mayhew explained in an address to members of the Victoria Gyro Club Monday, but due to the increase in construction costs, production was held up.

If the Solarium was transferred to Victoria, many of the current expenses would be automatically eliminated, the speaker said. Dangerous travel during the winter would end and a site in Victoria would apply added facilities which were lacking at Mill Bay.

Mr. Mayhew said a survey was now being conducted regarding crippled-children throughout the province in order to find a suitable location. He also stated that regarding future plans, the appointment of an occupational therapist and medical social worker were on the agenda, following closely on the heels of the announcement that C. E. Moore had become the new administrator of the institution.

The speaker indicated the general public held the wrong opinion regarding financial backing of the Solarium.

"Most persons believe that the Solarium receives funds from so many sources that the directors do not know what to do with it all. However, the facts are just the opposite," he said. The operating budget in 1949

amounted to \$182,000, and for this year is expected to reach \$210,000, Mr. Mayhew pointed out. On the question of cutting the costs, he said that right now it was doubtful. The daily cost had jumped from \$3 before the war to just over \$7.50 at the present time, he stated.

Mr. Mayhew expressed thanks to the club for its \$41,500 donation to the Solarium over the past 10-year period.

Canol Party Has Plenty Of Supplies

WHITEHORSE, Y.T. (CP)—William Bosley, one of seven men reported overdue in the Yukon wilderness, rushed to the Ross River trading post Sunday night and verified that all was well, R.C.M.P. said.

Bosley said the men, dismantling equipment along the abandoned Canol pipeline, 1,000 miles northwest of Edmonton, were suffering no hardships and were carrying sufficient supplies.

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Shop Early To Be Sure of Sharing These Important Savings — Clearance Lines, Limited Quantities

Oddments in Women's Shoes

Broken lines and sizes in smart dress shoes... suedes and leathers in pump, strap, sandal and sling styles, some with platform soles. High and Cuban heels. In black, brown, grey and blue.

HALF-DAY SPECIAL,

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WOMEN'S RUBBERS... serviceable low-cut rubbers to fit high-heeled shoes. Black only in a broken size range.

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69c

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Men's and Boys' Rubber Boots

Five-eyelet laced rubber boots with bellows tongues, rolled edge soles and solid rubber heels. HALF-DAY SPECIAL,

Sizes 11 to 13

1.79

Sizes 6, 7, 9 and 10

2.19

MEN'S RUBBER-SOLED OXFORDS... Red barred rubber-soled oxfords of burgundy leather in buckle or lace styles, with moccasin toes. A special for men with larger sized feet. Sizes 9½, 10, 10½ and 11 only.

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2.98

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Snowsuits Half Price!

Girls' and boys' three-piece snowsuits of warm, serviceable melton cloth or blanket cloth. Styled with zipper fronts and knitted cuff and leg bands. Matching helmets. Navy, brown and red in the group. Sizes 4, 5, 6, 7 and 12.

HALF-DAY SPECIAL,

5.97

EATON'S—CHILDREN'S WEAR, FASHION FLOOR

Fabric Remnants 1/3 and 1/2 OFF

Woolens, rayons, silks and cottons... in full dress or blouse lengths and some short but useful lengths for kiddies' wear.

HALF-DAY SPECIAL,

25c to 10.00

EATON'S—FABRICS, MAIN FLOOR

Men's All-Wool Zipper Sweaters

All-wool worsted cardigan sweaters with zipper fronts, suitable for work or everyday use. Navy blue only in sizes 36 to 44.

HALF-DAY SPECIAL,

4.29

EATON'S—MEN'S FURNISHINGS, MAIN FLOOR

Men's Wool Pants Half Price!

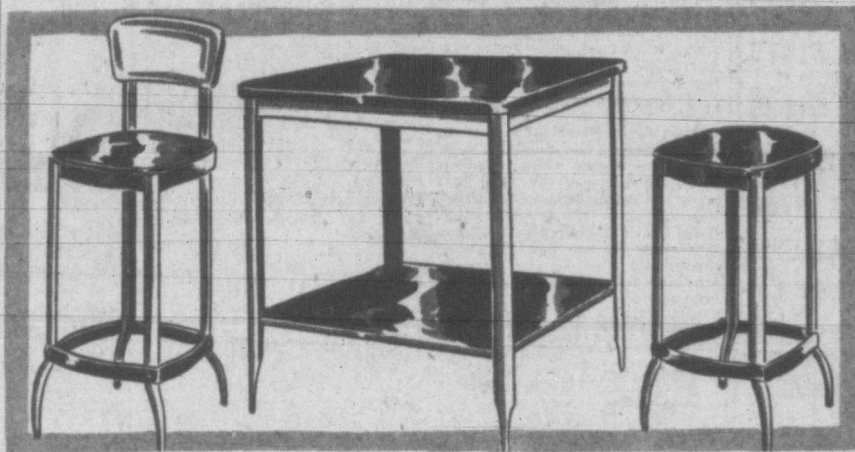
For work or leisure... Smartly tailored pants of a heavy weight wool to give warmth and comfort during the winter season. Finished with five pockets, belt loops and plain cuffs. In grey and navy blue. Waist sizes 30 to 44.

HALF-DAY SPECIAL,

2.97

EATON'S—MEN'S CLOTHING, MAIN FLOOR

STEEL KITCHEN FURNITURE



Utility Tables

All-steel tables in sparkling white enamel finish with black legs, convenient under-shelf and feet that should not damage floors. 30 inches high.

HALF-DAY SPECIAL,

Top size, 16x20 ins. 3.95

Top size, 20x24 ins. 4.95

Metal Stools

Handy stool with large shaped seat, sturdy lower rung, protective rubber feet and smooth rounded edges. About 22 inches high. Baked enamel finish in a choice of red or black with white legs. Stools with backs can be used for small children to sit up to the table.

HALF-DAY SPECIAL,

Stool with out back. 3.75

Stool with back. 4.65

EATON'S—FURNITURE, SECOND FLOOR

STAPLE YARDAGE REMNANTS

... Mill Clearance of Substandards

Cotton Sheetting

SUBSTANDARD

In one to five-yard lengths. Grey sheeting woven from a durable quality unbleached cotton. Suitable for making into sheets, pillow cases, drape linings and other household items. 70 to 90-inch widths.

HALF-DAY SPECIAL, yard

69c

Cotton Doeskin

SUBSTANDARD

Heavy quality cotton doeskin in one to five-yard lengths suitable for shirts and children's wear. In grey, red, mauve, yellow, turquoise and green. Width 36 inches.

HALF-DAY SPECIAL, yard

39c

Cotton Chambray

SUBSTANDARD

Blue and grey cotton chambray of a fine, durable quality that is suitable for making into shirts, rompers, aprons, etc. One to four-yard lengths. Width 36 inches.

HALF-DAY SPECIAL, yard

36c

Overall Denim

SUBSTANDARD

A closely woven, hard wearing cotton denim that can be used for work clothing. Black only in one to five-yard lengths. 28-inch width.

HALF-DAY SPECIAL, yard

49c

Brown Cottonade

SUBSTANDARD

Serviceable, good wearing cottonade of a sturdy woven quality that is suitable for making into work clothing. One to five-yard lengths. 28-inch width.

HALF-DAY SPECIAL, yard

49c

Plaid Flannelette

SUBSTANDARD

Warm, medium weight flannelette in colourful plaids... a good wearing coat interlining. One to five-yard lengths. 36-inch width.

HALF-DAY SPECIAL, yard

37c

EATON'S—STAPLES, MAIN FLOOR

Toiletries Savings

BATH OIL by Dorothy Gray... delicately perfumed, bubbling bath oil. HALF-DAY SPECIAL, 98c

ENGLISH SHAVING BRUSHES... fine quality badger shaving brushes for early Wednesday morning shoppers. Limited quantity only. HALF-DAY SPECIAL, 6.75 to 10.95

CORUX RAZOR BLADES... package of 5 blades. HALF-DAY SPECIAL, 3 pkgs. 39c

EATON'S—TOILETRIES, MAIN FLOOR

BARGAIN BASEMENT Half Day Specials

CLEARANCE! WOMEN'S WOOL SKIRTS. Flared and pencil slim styles, mostly red and black plaids but a few plain shades in the group. Sizes 12 to 18. 2.89

WOMEN'S MADEIRA HANDKERCHIEFS of fine quality hand embroidered cotton, in white only. Each. 9c

RAYON SPUN MILL ENDS in attractive prints. Suitable for dresses, blouses, children's wear, etc. A choice of colour combinations in various widths. Yard. 69c

MILL ENDS OF UNBLEACHED SHEETING... strong quality unbleached cotton in 72 or 84-inch widths. Suitable for sheets, drape linings, pillow cases and many other household uses. 5 to 10-yard lengths—Yard. 89c

CHECKED COTTON TABLECLOTHS... woven type in a choice of red and white or green and white checks. 52x52-inch size. 1.00

MEN'S HALF SOCKS... factory rejects of strong quality wool and cotton in fancy or clocked designs. A few elastic top type included in the group. 29c

MEN'S FLANNELETTE PYJAMAS of a medium weight in colourful striped designs. Sizes 36 to 44. 1.98

CLEARANCE OF GROWING GIRLS' SHOES... saddle oxfords... red sandals... black or brown oxfords. Some slightly soiled. Broken size range. 1.98

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FOUR STAR FINAL

50,000 Miners In U.S. Strike, Needle Owners

PITTSBURGH (AP)—More than 50,000 United States soft coal miners are on strike today. Many of them don't even know why.

Industry spokesmen say the walkout is another effort by United Mine Workers' president John L. Lewis to needle the mine operators into signing a contract.

The strike began Monday morning. U.M.W. officials denied the action was ordered by union headquarters. By nightfall scores of mines were empty in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Kentucky, Alabama, Virginia, Ohio and Utah.

Some miners—those who were willing to talk with outsiders about it—said the strike had been decided on at meetings of their U.M.W. locals.

Other miners said their locals had held no meetings; they were just staying away from the mines because "that's the healthy thing to do when there's a strike on."

It's not a country-wide strike. The idle diggers are only about one-eighth of the 400,000 men employed in the bituminous industry.

MAY END QUICKLY
Some industry sources said the walkout probably will end without warning, just as it began. They termed it a planned policy of embarrassment.

Principally affected at present are the "captive" mines owned by the U.S. Steel Corporation and other steelmakers, plus the big Pittsburgh Consolidated Coal Company.

The miners have been working without a contract since last June 30 when the old agreement expired. Since then, negotiations between the union and the coal companies have reached a virtual stalemate.

Lewis wants the present \$14.05 basic daily wage boosted to \$15, and a 35-cent-a-ton contribution to the U.M.W. pension and welfare fund instead of the present 20 cents.

\$3,000 Invitation Baseball Tourney

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask. (CP)—A \$3,000 invitation baseball tournament will be held here June 10-11. It was announced today by the Prince Albert Kinsmen Club.

The prize money is said to be the largest ever posted for a ball tournament in Saskatchewan. First money will be \$1,500, second \$800 and third \$300. Other teams each will receive \$100.

Eight teams will be invited.

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Weather Forecast

Variable cloudiness tonight and Wednesday; southwest winds, 35 m.p.h. tonight, decreasing to 30 Wednesday; a little colder Wednesday. Low tonight, 27; high Wednesday, 36.

Today's Sports Overnight Entries

At Fairgrounds

FIRST RACE—Six furlongs:

Bayou 197
Touch of Time 102
Handy Boy 118
Quatre Blanc 118
Gay Legend 118
Lumiere 118
Rube Jr 104
Felix 104
Even Break 121
Epinie Gold 112

SECOND RACE—Six furlongs:

Khany Hop 112
Buck Hope 102
Cleveland 102
Burgie Master 102
Wingway 111
Aristocrat 102
Even Break 121
Epinie Gold 112

THIRD RACE—Six furlongs:

Cavetstone 112
Honey 102
King Affion 118
Paul W 112
Saratoga 112
Convey Star 102
Indian 112

FOURTH RACE—Six furlongs:

Miss-King 112
Hyalis 112
Heres a Dream 112
Clara 112
Anita Nilsen 112
Copperstone 112

FIFTH RACE—Six furlongs:

Bold Star 102
Da Da 102
Bay Ace 112
Dunquest 112
Jew 112

SIXTH RACE—Six furlongs:

Beach Moss 112
Willow 112
Duch 112
Put and Call 112

SEVENTH RACE—Six furlongs:

Amanor 112
Red 102
Temple 112
Oblisk 112

EIGHTH RACE—Six furlongs:

Don Quixote 112
Botanai 112
Boy Ace 112
Yankee Captain 102
Big Hurry 102
Top Secret 102

NINTH RACE—Six furlongs:

Double Gift 112
Lena 112
Glasgow 112
Scratched: Viole Ruth, Brief Stay, Mad Saint

TENTH RACE—Six furlongs:

Head Me 112
Toubo 112
Scratched: Anala Trail, Dusty, Vero Lumen, King Marie, Two Day Air

Eleventh RACE—Six furlongs:

Crafty 112
Lena 112
Good Hostess 112
Scratched: Nix Haralder

Twelfth RACE—Six furlongs:

Fighting 112
Bernal 112
Merry 112
Scratched: Jim Boy, Brown Magul

Thirteenth RACE—Six furlongs:

Callion 112
Grand 112
Mister 112
Scratched: Rucker

Fourteenth RACE—Six furlongs:

Mild Justice 112
Patty's 112
Scratched: Tucker Type

Fifteenth RACE—Six furlongs:

Sun Bound 112
Jon 112
Scratched: Indian 112, Deloit, Stouhar, Better Times, Russian Valor, Signa

At Santa Anita

FIRST RACE—Three furlongs:

Yalla 112
Bouder 112
Jomaro 112
Mighty Black 112
Tuba Mike 112
Uncanny 112
Little Nipper 112
Blair 112
Dina Day 102

SECOND RACE—Six furlongs:

Golden 112
Bargain 112
Bright Angel 102
Jennie 102
Peppy 102
Maid's 102
Nax 112
Like To Skip 112
Madame 112

THIRD RACE—One mile:

Zyale 102
Argyle 102
Colts 102
Recitation 112
Sound Off 112
Skiy 112
Nicky 112
King Bolt 112

FOURTH RACE—Six furlongs:

Romlin 112
Citation 112
Bold 112
Fifth RACE—Six furlongs:

Isle Of Mist 112
Code of Arms 112
Swing 112
Should Reward 112
Convey 112
Big 112

SIXTH RACE—Six furlongs:

Oration 112
a-Popwell 112
King 112
Pete 112
The 112

SEVENTH RACE—One mile:

a-Rhodes 112
Gold 112
Mud 112
Little Joe 112
The Man 112
a-Entry

EIGHTH RACE—Six furlongs:

Carry 112
Valerie 112
Golden 112
Nicky 112
a-Entry

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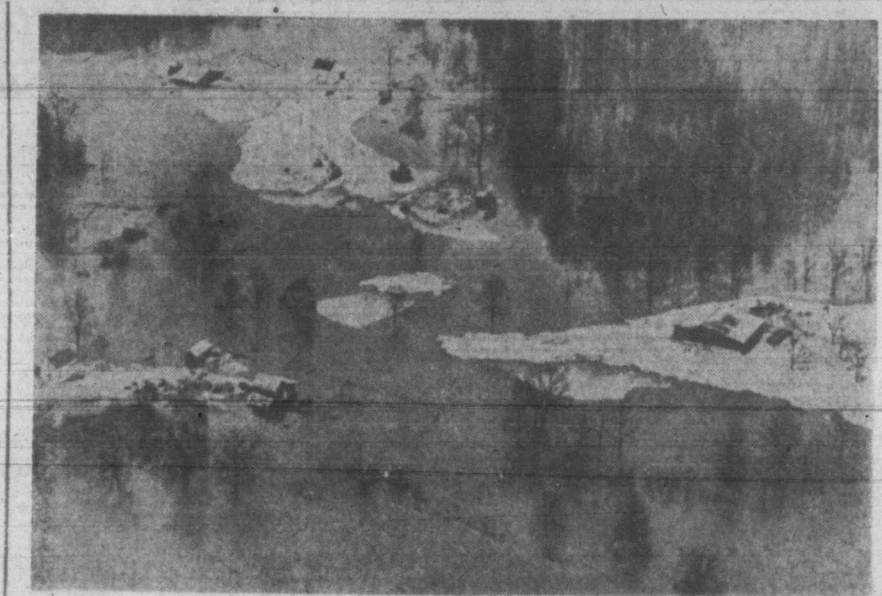
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WINTER FLOODS PLAGUE MIDWEST—Farm homes not completely under water are isolated on tiny islands as water from the swollen Kaskaskia River inundates lowlands near Vandalia, Ill. Note snow on ground not covered by water. Continuing rain and ice storms have already forced 500 families from their homes in Indiana, Illinois and Missouri, taken three lives and caused damage running into hundreds of thousands of dollars.—NEA Telephoto.

Agreement 'In Principle' At Constitutional Parley

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent said today after hearing the statements of 10 Premiers at the Dominion-Provincial constitutional conference he felt there was agreement on "general principles."

He made the statement before the conference adjourned at 4:40 p.m., E.S.T., until 11 a.m., E.S.T., tomorrow. The conference, which opened at 10:45 a.m., E.S.T., was called to discuss the possibility of obtaining for the Canadian Parliament the power to amend the constitution on matters under joint federal and provincial jurisdiction.

Mr. St. Laurent said the statements of the Premiers indicated there was general agreement that certain fundamental rights in the constitution should be so protected that they could not be changed without the consent of all provinces.

Boy Overcome By Smoke In House

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By Frank Godwin

Lost Wife, Kept Sense Of Humor

LONDON (BUP)—Lord Stanley of Alderley, whose former wife Sylvia recently married actor Clark Gable, has changed the name of his yacht from "Sylvia" to "The Gables." It was disclosed today.

Chinese Hope Ship Incident Will Not Cost U.S. Friendship

TAIPEI, Formosa (AP)—The Nationalist Chinese Foreign Office tonight expressed the hope the Flying Arrow incident would not affect "friendly feelings between the Chinese and American peoples."

A formal statement claimed the freighter was repeatedly warned by Chinese naval craft through signals and shots in the air. After she had ignored all of these warnings the naval craft opened fire "to disable her, taking care that no injury would be done to lives on board."

The ship was hit between 30 and 40 times. She was about 200 miles from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The government, the statement continued, repeatedly warned foreign vessels not to sail into the closed area and lately had informed all states with maritime interests that mines had been laid in it.

Earlier the commander of the Nationalist Navy had said "If the Flying Arrow hadn't belonged to a friendly power we would have let her steam into mined areas so as to prove how effective our mining is."

U.S. Woodworkers Not Asking Pension

PORTLAND (AP)—The C.I.O. woodworkers will by-pass pension demands this year to concentrate on improving health, welfare and holiday clauses in their contracts.

Possible wage increase demands were not mentioned by James Fading, president of the C.I.O. International Woodworkers of America, Monday night as he disclosed the 1950 goals.

The aims were drawn up by union leaders here in a week-end meeting. They will affect 50,000 I.W.A. members in California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. Negotiations are expected to start with 675 companies in February.

Parliament To Be Dissolved Feb. 3 Vote Set Feb. 23

LONDON (Reuter)—The British general election will be held on Feb. 23, it was announced today.

The announcement, which ended months of political speculation, said that the King has agreed to dissolve Parliament Friday, Feb. 3.

An official announcement issued early today (Wednesday) from the Prime Minister's residence, 10 Downing Street, said "the King has been pleased to signify his acceptance of the Prime Minister's recommendation that he should proclaim the dissolution of Parliament on Friday, Feb. 3."

"In accordance with the provisions of the representation of the People's Act, polling will fall on Thursday, Feb. 23."

"The new Parliament will be summoned to meet on Wednesday, March 1, when the first business will be the formal election of the Speaker and the swearing-in of members, and the King has graciously announced 24) on which the present parliament is summoned to meet."

Jubilee Conference Killed

The government announcement of the widely-predicted date of Feb. 23 will involve the cancellation of the Labor Party jubilee conference arranged for the beginning of February.

The government has taken an unusual course in announcing its election intentions six weeks before the voting. There are precedents for this but it is believed an administration has rarely divulged its plans so far ahead of an election.

The government announcement will mean a much earlier start to electioneering than is usual in Britain. Within hours of the official notice, Britain's main political parties—Conservative and Labor—will be plunged into what is expected to be one of the bitterest and most keenly fought contests in British electoral history.

The government recently warned supporters of anti-nationalization propaganda that money expended for this purpose might be considered as general election expenses. Official quarters here expect candidates both on the government side and the Opposition to exercise the greatest circumspection on expenses, particularly in the three weeks remaining between now and the dissolution of Parliament, Feb. 3.

Moguls Of W.I.L. Meet At Richland

RICHLAND, Wash. (AP)—Moguls of the Western International League got their winter baseball meeting under way here today.

The 1950 schedule for the reshuffled league was expected to take the top spot on the discussion list.

League officials were faced with the job of remodeling the schedule from top to bottom because of shifts in franchises. Four of the teams are now east of the Cascades with the transfer of the Bremerton franchise to Wenatchee. The original Wenatchee franchise went to the tri-city area, Yakima and Spokane are the other easterners.

With four in the east and four in the west—Vancouver, Victoria, Tacoma and Salem—schedule makers were looking forward to doing away with the long overnight hops from east to west and vice-versa.

Westview, B.C., Man Victim Of Storm

POWELL RIVER (CP)—Paul Daugherty, 64, of Westview, B.C., died in hospital here today—a victim of the latest snow storm to strike British Columbia.

He died of injuries suffered when struck by an automobile during a blinding snowstorm. A music teacher, Mr. Daugherty came to Westview from Vancouver 25 years ago.

GLAMOR-GO-ROUND

This "merry-go-round" number is one of the features of a spectacular new review titled "Middle of the Century" at the Paris nightclub, the Bal Tabarin. Riding mechanized stage props, the chorines go through their routines as the merry-go-round rises from the floor. (Photo by NEA-Acme staff correspondent Rene Henry.)

RUSTY RILEY

